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# The Editor's Page

## Implementation, Misimplementation, Non-implementation

"Implement" has been a favorite word in government circles for several years. Plans call for "implementation"—meaning that projects or proposals include more or less definite specifications for carrying them out. "Implementation" is usually defined as **providing the means, power and authority to put something into effect**. To the population at large this means "getting things done."

Implementation costs money—lots of it. And, all too often when the money is available, it is inevitable that a large part of it will be used for administrative overhead and non-essentials. Implementation can be termed successful to the extent a project is carried to completion with major goals being met.

During the last decade vast sums have been made available—the bulk being Federal appropriations—toward studying and solving the problems peculiar to deafness and the deaf; additional millions of dollars have been authorized or are being sought for further projects.

At best, implementation has been moderate; results have been from poor to excellent. In certain areas there has been misimplementation. In other areas there has been non-implementation.

Insofar as the rank-and-file deaf are concerned, the following breakdown is offered:

### 1. Implementation

- a. Captioned Films for the Deaf—overall results good.
- b. Teacher-training—fair to very good.
- c. Interpreting - manual communication — good and with the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf and manual communication classes still developing.
- d. Mental health—good but with efforts confined to a few localities.
- e. Community services—good to excellent but limited to a few communities.
- f. Gallaudet College expansion—good but controversial in some phases.
- g. Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf—off to a good start.
- h. Expanded rehabilitation services—poor to excellent, depending on the state or locality.

### 2. Misimplementation

- a. Miniresearch—too much time has been wasted

(not to mention the money) in ascertaining the problems and needs of the deaf instead of getting to the core. Expensive projects have occupied themselves with facets or splinters of the basic problems.

b. Pseudo research—a lot of projects or studies have accomplished nothing, being attempts to prove "pet" theories or to uphold philosophies. Findings tend to be offered as the long-sought "cure" for anything and everything.

c. National Technical Institute for the Deaf—originally intended to constitute a national technical and vocational school for those deaf students of non-college ability or inclination, the concept was altered so as to provide facilities for average or above-average students. This segment could be served just as well at Gallaudet College or at existing institutions for the normal hearing, with interpreting services and special assistance provided. The students **not** provided for at NTID will need welfare programs in years to come.

### 3. Non-implementation

a. Regional vocational training—whatever attempts that have been made have been inadequately organized and financed and never assured of continuous operation.

b. Sound approaches in the education of the deaf at all levels—the basic problems remain. Neither methodology nor materials have been provided, standardized and proved adequate at the classroom level. Generally, efforts have turned out to be an adaptation of methods and materials in general use in the educational field. High-level committees, e.g., the National Advisory Committee on the Education of the Deaf, are apt to expend most of their funds and efforts in repeated listings of problems and related recommendations.

The above is a brief (and not an all-inclusive) appraisal, free of meaningful, meaningless or misleading statistics. We aren't suggesting that a hundred thousand dollar or so grant be sought to prove or refute this summing up.

And in conclusion, we would like to point out that most of the rewarding implementation has come about when the deaf themselves have been consulted and their talents and experiences utilized. We are not putting out shoes for grabs. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

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They'll Try Anything at Least Once, Maybe Twice . . .

## Two Legal Workshops For Interpreters Held In Texas

By DON G. PETTINGILL

"Determination can do more with a rusty monkey wrench than a slacker with a whole chest of tools!" With that obviously in mind, the Texas Society of Interpreters for the Deaf (TSID) grabbed the "wrench" and "monkeyed" around until they got a good show on the road.

The "tinkering" really started in 1965 when the 59th Texas Legislature passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 46, authorizing the Texas Legislative Council to conduct a study of services to the deaf of the state. In addition to five legislators, five citizens were appointed by the lieutenant governor to serve as advisors to the Council. Two deaf men, Louis B. Orrill, longtime leader of the deaf in Texas, and Don G. Pettingill, director of Counseling Services to the Adult Deaf of Callier Hearing and Speech Center, Dallas, were chosen to serve on the Advisory Committee.

As a result of this study, 19 bills totaling \$51-million were introduced in the Sixtieth Legislative Session by Paul Floyd, chairman of the Study Committee. Ten bills were passed, all of them "free" bills; that is, they would cost the state little, if anything. The others, which would require "new" money, all died in committee or were vetoed by the governor.

Among the bills passed were two dealing with interpreters. In brief, they spelled out the right of a deaf person to the services of an interpreter in criminal and civil courts; and the interpreters the right to be paid for their services. This naturally posed the question of "who was a qualified interpreter."

In order to establish some qualifications and guidelines, Mrs. Kenneth M. Pacetti, president of TSID, organized a legal workshop for its members in Houston on September 15-16, 1967. Probably the first of its kind on record, it was highly successful.

The first morning, Friday, September 15, participants attended sessions of the Court of Domestic Relations, where Judge William Hatton allowed interpreters to stand in front and interpret proceedings of his court. At the end of the court proceedings, Judge Hatton answered legal questions asked by interpreters.

The afternoon session featured a round table discussion of legal terms and other interpreting problems, the "old pros" sharing experiences and know how with the younger, less experienced ones.

The evening was spent observing Corporation Court cases, with Judge Kenneth M. Pacetti presiding. Interpreters were also allowed to interpret proceedings there, and at the close of the session a question and answer period was held.

A mock trial was staged the second morning, giving interpreters, participants and others an opportunity to study procedures and ask more questions of the judge and attorneys.

The highlight of the workshop was the examinations given Saturday afternoon to interpreters who wished to be certified. An examining board consisting of Mrs. Louis A. Beard, RID board member and chairman of the Evaluation Committee, and Mrs. S. D. Johnson, chairman of the

TSID Standards Committee, as the two hearing interpreters; Don G. Pettingill as a certified oral-manual deaf interpreter; and Carl Brininstool, president of the Texas Association of the Deaf, and Bert Poss, head coach at the Texas School for the Deaf, as the two "bystander" deaf persons, gave the examinations to 25 applicants with Kenneth M. Pacetti acting as judge.

Much was learned from this workshop, and it was decided to stage another one as soon as practicable in order to capitalize and improve on our experiences in Houston.

The second TSID Legal Workshop was held in the Dallas area (Irving, Texas) on November 30, December 1-2, 1967. The committee for this event was Jimmy Scroggins, Rev. George Joslin and Don G. Pettingill, who served as chairman. It should be noted here that Mr. Scroggins' wide acquaintance with professional and legal people in this area was extremely helpful in obtaining qualified people as speakers, panelists and participants.

Albert Pimentel, executive director of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Washington, D. C., flew in to observe the Irving workshop. His advice and suggestions were timely and helpful.

The initial meeting, Thursday evening, November 30, was scheduled for those who usually come the evening before to avoid the early morning drive to Dallas. About 30 people showed up to hear Mr. Pimentel explain the purpose and plans of the newly-established office of RID in Washington, D. C.

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Mrs. J. W. "Jonnie" Duncan, who did a masterful job of coordinating interpreters for the workshop, was chosen to serve as the "court interpreter" during the mock trial. In other phases of the three-day meeting, younger and less experienced interpreters were given the chance to gain the experience, but it was decided that the mock trial should be the genuine article. On her left is Judge Milton Sturman of Irving Corporation Court, who lent his time and courtroom for the mock trial. On her right is R. M. Caldwell, member of the Irving police force who served as the "complaining manager" of the "robbed store."

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First picture, left to right: Ivan Lawrence, attorney, and Mike Stark and Irma Kleebe, two of the three interpreters plying him with questions. Second picture: Ivan Lawrence during a tense moment in his address. Mrs. Louis A. Beard, RID board member, did a superb job of interpreting his story, emotions and all.

Friday morning, December 1, was spent in Judge Henry King's Criminal District Court observing legal procedure. Judge King allowed interpreters to stand at the front of the courtroom and interpret all proceedings. In order to give a maximum number of members of TSID the experience, Jonnie Duncan, coordinator of interpreters for the workshop, arranged to change interpreters every few minutes.

During the first part of Friday afternoon, a panel composed of Judge John Mead, his court reporter, Don Hollman, both of Dallas, and Attorney John Whittington, Irving, gave their views on various aspects and problems of interpreting. The questions asked the panel were well thought out and brought out a wealth of information. Our sincere gratitude goes to those three dedicated public servants for their valuable time and contributions.

Ivan Lawrence, the attorney who represented the Christensens in the famed California adoption case in Los Angeles, and Dr. Lloyd Johns, professor in the San Fernando Valley State College LTP program, came for the entire workshop. They were sent by Dr. Ray L. Jones, director of the LTP, to observe the workshop and to gain some experience and

perhaps pick up some ideas for use in a workshop planned in California. The Texans "turned the tables" on them and picked their brains, too.

Mr. Lawrence addressed the group Friday afternoon, telling of the elation, confusion, anger and despair experienced by himself and the Christensens, to say nothing of many other deeply interested citizens, before the Judge Scott decision was reversed in favor of the Christensens. Mr. Lawrence obviously relived that battle of wits as he unfolded the story, and at times had to pause to control his emotions. There wasn't a dry eye in the audience when he finished. (Commercial: Mr. Lawrence is scheduled to be main speaker at the biennial Order of the Georges banquet in Las Vegas, on the last evening of the National Association of the Deaf's 1968 convention. Don't miss it!) It is one of the most moving stories ever told about the battle to protect the constitutional rights of the deaf, and Mr. Lawrence is a dynamic speaker (See ad elsewhere in this issue.)

Friday evening, a banquet was held with Charles Caperton of the district attorney's office, Dallas, as featured speaker. Again, the opportunity was given anyone who had any questions to ask, and

Mr. Caperton did a fine job answering questions as well as bringing us an informative, thought-provoking message.

The next morning, Saturday, December 2, a mock trial was held at the Irving Corporation courtroom. Judge Milton Sturman and City Attorney John Boyle not only served as judge and prosecutor, respectively, in the trial, but also wrote the script for it.

Mayor Robert Powers of Irving was to have been defendant's attorney but was unable to make it. To the delight of everyone, Mr. Lawrence graciously consented to serve as the defense attorney for the deaf "defendant," accused of theft in a local store.

Many interesting points were brought out in this trial. For instance, the defense tried to place three deaf persons on the jury and the city attorney objected. The ensuing arguments by both attorneys were very convincing. Other points such as translating vs. interpreting were also debated. The whole trial was conducted on a very professional basis, and all participants did a superb job of acting out their parts. Carlos Holdridge, local deaf leader, was chosen to act as



Members of examining board: Left to right: Bert Poss, Mrs. Louis A. Beard, Mrs. S. D. Johnson, Carl D. Brininstool and Don G. Pettingill.



the deaf "defendant," while two members of the Irving police force were the "plaintiffs." Dr. Lloyd Johns was the "owner" of the complaining store. The trial was so realistic and informative that time ran out on us before we could properly finish it. However, the closing arguments of both the prosecutor and the defense attorney were vivid and forceful. At the close, the audience gave all the participants in the trial a standing ovation and a vote of deep appreciation for a job superbly done.

After lunch a second series of examinations was administered to 23 applicants for certification. Ralph Churchill served as judge at this session, with the Examining Board composed of the same persons as in Houston. Improvement over the Houston examinations was noted, but all agreed that more work is needed before we come up with the "perfect" scorecard and point system.

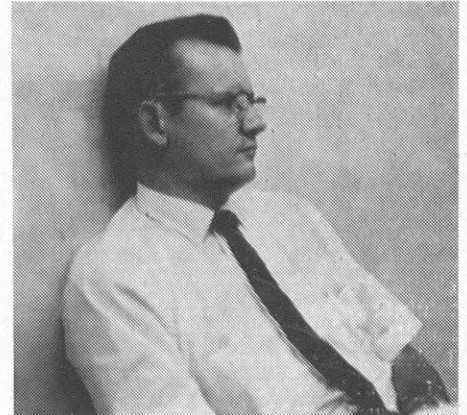
The Texas Society of Interpreters for the Deaf is to be commended for its pioneering spirit. With each workshop some procedures are discarded, others added and still others honed down to a fine point. Participants are learning which activities are most beneficial to the av-



Mrs. Carrie Lee Abbott, teacher at the Texas School for the Deaf and one of Texas' finest interpreters, shows how it's done.

erage participant, which interpreting procedures are most beneficial to the deaf themselves, who must depend on those interpreters and how best to judge those procedures and interpreters in the final

evaluations. Texans are willing to charge ahead and lay the groundwork, hopefully with few mistakes, with the desire that their experiences will make it easier for other states to get their own programs going with a minimum of wheel-spinning and fumbling. It is amazing how little of both were encountered in Texas.



Lloyd Bridges, past president of Southern Baptist Conference of the Deaf, serving as a "low verbal" deaf person during examinations. Mrs. Betsy Stanley also served, but picture is unavailable.



Albert Pimentel, executive director of RID, filling in as a "low verbal" deaf person during examinations.



Part of the many interpreters who attended Judge Henry King's criminal district court observing procedures. Joanne Shirley, standing at extreme left, interprets.

## DON'T MISS THIS!!

IVAN E. LAWRENCE, Attorney for the Christensens, the deaf couple in the famed California adoption case in Los Angeles, will speak at the

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# Humor

## AMONG THE DEAF

By Toivo Lindholm

4816 Beatty Drive, Riverside, California 92506

Rusty Wales, 1963 graduate of the California School for the Deaf, Riverside, wrote his parents the following letter in October 1966, telling of his automobile trip to Gallaudet after a summer at home:

One night in Arizona, passing through a small town, I didn't want to be bothered by slowing down for it and continued at the same speed as on the highway. But one car turned on lights and started following me. Besides my car, it was the only active thing in the dark, dead-like town. Good grief, to my dad's pocketbook and my driving record, it was a police car and true enough the siren started sounding. I reluctantly pulled over, and to win over the arrester's sympathy, I played dumb (in both ways, mute and stupid). His speech was very clear for lipreading, and he said I should follow him to someplace. I tried to act like I didn't understand, but Mark McCrory, my companion in the car, also deaf, understood (like I did), so I did what I was told. The building did not look like a courthouse or police station. Home, yes it seemed like. The grim policeman showed off a young lady and to our amazement, she signed. She was the daughter of the officer, and a graduate of the Arizona School for the Deaf! We had a nice talk. Unaware that I was being myself when we talked. I should have been arrested for being a hypocrite, but he seemed unaware of my predicament. I also became very pleasant when I knew I was released. I think I will never again have such a rare coincidence.

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A clipping sent by Julian Singleton, the elder, has columnist Dorothy Manners, telling about meeting an ex-actor who became a speech therapist in San Quentin. To quote Miss Manners, in brief:

John Rayborn, 43, is no stranger to studios. Before he gave himself up twelve years ago at the Hollywood police station for a series of robberies and hoped-for cure of his addiction to heroin, he was a stunt man and a bit player.

George Hamilton (my companion) and I wanted to know how, with such a background, he has become such an expert speech therapist that he is writing a book and a screen play on the subject. The book is called "Prisoner of Silence."

"Started back my first year in San Quentin," he told us. "I was given a deaf mute as a cellmate and just to have something to do to keep from going stir crazy, I started improvising ways to teach him how to speak. When this man began to respond, slowly at first and then remarkably well, I was beside myself with joy. I became really serious about therapy. It made a new man of me. I had something to hang onto myself.

"I haven't had a fix in twelve years. At one time I was spending \$3000 a month on my arm (heroin), getting the money from robberies. It ruined my life . . ."

But his heart is really tied up in starting a clinic for deaf mutes.

"I'm hoping the book will sell enough—and perhaps to pictures—to give me enough money to start such a clinic," he says with touching sincerity. "I'm getting a lot of encouragement from such fine fellows as Bing Crosby, Dan Blocker and Lee Marvin."

And I've got some news for John Rayborn. He's got George Hamilton "hooked" now.

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This also from Julian Singleton, Sr.:

### SIGN LANGUAGE BOOSTS TRAIN-KID 'LOVE AFFAIR'

KENNEWICK, Wash. (AP)—Five-year-old Jeff Carlson used to stand at the window of his home and wave at the crew of the Union Pacific freight train on its daily run.

About a week ago the crew failed to spot the boy at the window. A few days later a large sign appeared in one window: "I have measles."

The next day the conductor flashed back his own sign:

"We hope you are better."

Jeff's mother said Jeff was the happiest sick kid in town. Then the crew saw a new sign:

"Error. It's scarlet fever. I'm OK. Now Sis has it." Sis is three-year-old Andrea Lee.

The next day the conductor answered by sign:

"We hope Sis is OK now."

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Helen Arbuthnot, Riverside, tells of watching two deaf men talking of widely divergent things with the word **sulphur** as the theme. Helen watched for some five minutes with growing conviction that they each did not know what the other fellow was talking about. She butted in and told them so.

One man was talking about the town named Sulphur in Oklahoma where the state school for the deaf is located, and the other fellow was talking about the chemical element sulphur.

Is this a sample of "dialogue of the deaf"?

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This came in the mail, postmarked Rockport, Texas:

### LIMERICK

Who thought it'd be easy to catch  
Foxy Howland G. Ufaw & Batch

With bloodthirsty hounds

And spine-chilling sounds?

Why, our Herlock Sholmes Tovsky, natch!

—Count Meout II

### DOG BISCUIT TO YOU

From Rillito, Arizona, FFFFF sent a cartoon showing a dog's master emptying a package of dog food into Doggie's dish, and out came—a dog biscuit. Scotch-taped to this lone biscuit was a printed tape reading:

### LIPREADERS, PLEASE NOTE

"If what we see is doubtful, how can we believe what is spoken behind the back?"  
—Chinese proverb

At the bottom of the cartoon, hand-printed: "This is all we can feed ya with just now, Sorry!"

Thanks, Sandy, for all past favors! We await a new package of dog food!

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This from Mia Strandberg:

Why does the Basque farmer come to market with his umbrella hooked into the back of his blue denim jacket? To have both hands free for bargaining! His gestures accompany the most bizarre, mystifying language you'll ever hear. It might help you to know that "no" is "ez" and "yes" is "ba." But the Basques speak French, too. And they understand sign language. (Better watch your hands at market. You may find you've bought a calf.)—Holiday

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Two excerpts taken from my copy of Helen Keller's "The Story of My Life," which is chuckful of interesting anecdotes. Copyrighted 1905, printed 1924:

"... when people try experiments with her, she (Helen Keller) displays a sportsmanlike determination to win in any test, however unreasonable, that one may wish to put her to.

If she does not know the answer to a question, she guesses with mischievous assurance. Ask her the color of your coat (no blind person can tell color), she will feel it and say "black." If it happens to be blue, and you tell her so triumphantly, she is likely to answer, "Thank you. I am glad you know. Why did you ask me?"

Or: "Do you close your eyes when you go to sleep?" was one of the questions to which she replied, "I never stayed awake to see."

### NAD Bowling Tournaments

Bowling tournaments for men and women have been added to the agenda for the NAD convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. The tournaments are scheduled to be held at the Charlestown Lanes on Friday, June 21, 1968. Trophies and cash prizes of \$500 and \$250, respectively, will go to the winners in each division.

The tournaments are open to any ABC-WIBC bowler who is a member of the NAD. Entry fees of \$19.00 and \$13.00 will be charged. Prizes will be returned 100% on a 1-3 ratio.

The tournament is being run by John Kubis of Bowie, Maryland, and Herman Cahen of Cleveland, Ohio.

Watch THE DEAF AMERICAN for more details.



# The Christensen Adoption Story

By "NUBBY" NUERNBERGER

The National Association of the Deaf Legal Fund donated \$687 to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Christensen, the couple who finally came out victorious in their battle for legal adoption of their foster child, Scott. The check does not include the \$150 which the NAD donated previously.

The time of the court's decision couldn't have come at a better time—the happy Christensen family enjoyed the new addition in time for the holidays—Thanksgiving and Christmas—and for as long as they live.

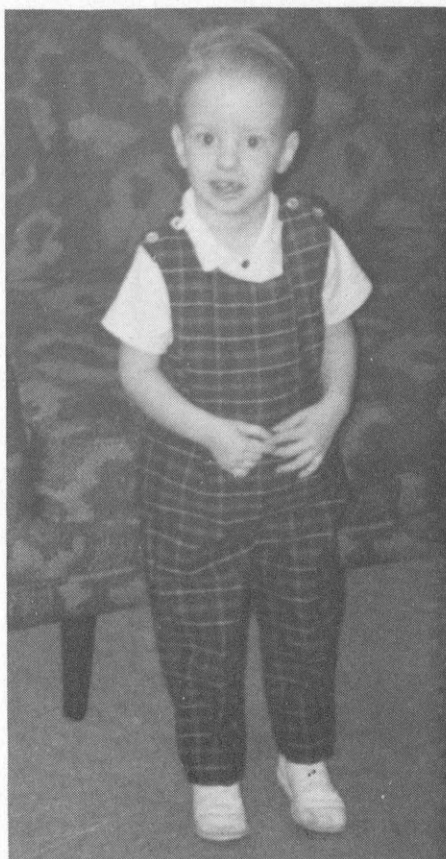
The holidays have a sincere meaning to the Christensens and they are grateful for the moral support, all the letters, phone calls and prayers. These gave the case much-needed encouragement and contributed to its successful conclusion.

Wayne and Madeline Christensen have another foster child, a daughter, Janet. She is seven years old and a bright child. She and her new brother have also "adopted" each other.

A small ceremony was arranged at the Christensens' residence on November 27. On hand to help enlighten the happy occasion were Kyle and Mae Workman, Joe Brandenburg, Miss Nazelie Elmassian (Eleanor's sister), the writer and his wife, Eleanor. Mr. Ivan Lawrence, the attorney who handled the adoption case, was also present. Miss Elmassian served ably as interpreter.

With the compliments of the NAD and of deaf people everywhere, we presented a check for \$687 to the Christensens and to Mr. Lawrence.

Delicious orange sherbet punch and cookies were served as those present had a very enjoyable evening. Mr. Lawrence was able to carry on conversation by the fingerspelling method. He has enrolled



**HAPPY WITH THE CHRISTSENS**—Scott James Richardson was looking forward to Christmas when this picture was snapped last November.

in the language of signs and fingerspelling class under Faye Wilkie, who prepared Mia Farrow for her role in TV's Johnny Belinda recently.

The Christensens live in a modest home

in the southern part of Los Angeles. The sprawling area has many tract-housing units and a person is likely to get lost going to their house for the first time. (We did!) Many of the streets are only a block long and we think there are cul-de-sac streets in every block.

Mr. Lawrence brought us up to date regarding the adoption case and showed us letters from people all over the nation.

According to the attorney, on September 19, 1967, the successful end of a long and hard fought legal battle came when Wayne and Madeline Christensen were given a court order by Superior Court Judge Bayard Rhone, approving adoption of two-year-old Scott Richardson, despite the fact that both the Christensens are totally deaf.

In June 1966, another judge, A. A. Scott, denied this adoption, solely because of the deafness of the adoptive parents, stating that they could not give "a normal home" to this child.

Then, the battle commenced in the appellate courts, with the child being used as "a football," according to an appellate court justice. The child was taken out of the arms of the adoptive mother and then returned a few days later by a special writ of supersedeas by the District Court of Appeals, then taken away by order of the California Supreme Court, acting upon a request by Judge Scott.

Finally, deaf organizations all over the United States, and locally, Dr. Ray L. Jones and Dr. Wayne McIntire, of the Leadership Training Program in the Area of the Deaf at San Fernando Valley State College, supplied data showing that homes of deaf people have no real handicaps, and that many children of deaf parents



**HAPPY DAYS FOR THE CHRISTSENS**—At the left, Donald Nuernberger, second vice president of the California Association of the Deaf, presents the check representing the balance of the NAD Legal Fund to Wayne Christensen. Between them are Ivan Lawrence, the attorney who represented the Christensens in the landmark adoption case, and Mrs. Madeline Christensen. Looking up is the central figure in the adoption case, Scott James Richardson, with his foster sister, Janet, also a ward of the Christensens. At the right is a closeup of Scott and Janet, who are getting closer acquainted now that the case is closed.





have above average accomplishments in life. For example, J. Edgar Hoover was raised by deaf parents.

The case attracted nationwide attention and was widely covered by TV channels across the country.

Wayne Christensen is branch clerk and Madeline is relief society president of the Mormon Deaf Branch in Los Angeles. They have successfully raised another foster child, Janet Cornell, age 7, and this fact counted heavily in their favor, according to Judge Rhone.

Mr. Lawrence, attorney for the Christensens, who has his office in Canoga Park, California, and is a member of the Granada Hills II Ward, stated: "This unusual case attracted attention of judges and lawyers all over the United States. My office was flooded with offers of help, letters, affidavits, encouragement—I never had a case where so many people came forth voluntarily to offer to assist. I knew the first trial judge was in error, and was gratified at the ultimate opinion by the District Court of Appeals, which found that the judge was biased and prejudiced, abused his discretion, acted beyond the jurisdiction of the State and violated the United States Constitutional provisions of due process and the equal protection clauses, which guarantee that there can be no discrimination because of physical handicap."

Mr. Lawrence stated that the case is now a landmark decision for the rights of all handicapped people, and especially so, since the California Supreme Court, by an unanimous vote, refused to grant Judge A. A. Scott a hearing from the decision of the District Court of Appeals.

Mr. Lawrence says, "The case required hundreds of hours of hard work, research and development of facts showing that deaf people can properly raise children. The happy result reached September 19, 1967, gives me and my clients immense satisfaction. It is, however, unfortunate that the error of a Superior Court Judge requires such a cost of time, energy and money to correct. We are all very happy at the conclusion. I want to publicly thank Dr. Ray L. Jones, Dr. Wayne McIntire, Dr. Neil Leitman, Evelyn and Jennings Mason, and all the leaders of the deaf all over the United States for their untiring help. In court, we all had wet cheeks, unashamedly, even the deaf language interpreter included, when Judge Rhone rendered his final decision. Congratulations have poured in from thousands of people."

The California Association of the Deaf will continue accepting contributions for the Adoption Fund. The goal of the fund has not been reached yet, but with the holiday spirit and the success of the Christensen case which leads to our guaranteed right to raise children, we hope to reach the goal. Donations may be sent to Mr. Gerald Burstein, CAD Treasurer (Adoption Fund), P.O. Box 2523, Riverside, California 92506.

## From A Parent's Point Of View

Mary Jane Rhodes, Conductor

Today great strides are being made to improve the lot of our deaf citizens. Job opportunities are being made available, education of the deaf is receiving much emphasis, leadership training for promising deaf adults is being offered, the theatre for the deaf is a reality, more churches are offering religious programs adapted and suited to the deaf and legislation is being enacted in some states for the benefit of the hearing handicapped. And yet one of the most basic needs in the area of aid to the deaf is being virtually ignored. What is this area of inactivity? Its explanation can be covered in just two words: "Parent Education." It is my feeling that all other activities and services on behalf of the deaf will not reach their true potential for success until we meet and deal with the problem of educating parents.

We were quite fortunate when our son was young because we had the opportunity to visit his class in a day school program. When we went to pick Ronnie up from school, the teacher would tell us the new words that he had learned that day. We were free to sit on the classes at any time to see how speech, lipreading, reading and writing were being taught. We learned that a "b" sound was made by holding the nose closed, that a "p" sound was taught by blowing feathers and that flash cards were used with pictures to teach a new noun or verb. Because we understood how the teacher accomplished some of this magic of educating our son, we were able to carry the use of his new knowledge into our home situation.

Because our family and friends were so upset about Ronnie's deafness, we made special efforts to let them see the progress that he was making at school. I made flash cards of words that Ronnie knew and when company came we would get the cards and let Ronnie display his abilities to read, lipread and speak. This not only supplemented the teacher's training but it also gave our son a feeling of accomplishment. Our family and friends soon began to realize that while deafness is a difficult handicap to deal with, it is not an impossible one. Their amazement at his ability to read and write at the age of three was something to behold and all of his efforts at speech and lipreading were praised.

Because we were able to understand what went on in the classroom, we had the self confidence of knowing, that with adequate education, our son could lead a happy and productive life. The teacher's interest and encouragement helped make the burden of our son's deafness much easier for us to bear. I have realized more and more in the past few years how lucky we were to have been given this opportunity to learn the basics in how a deaf child is taught. My question now is: How can we give other parents this same

opportunity to understand their deaf child's classroom activities?

I think we should start by making available parent workshops. A prerequisite for enrolling a child in any class or school for the deaf should be that at least one parent attend such a workshop. After the parent has had some basic education in how the deaf are taught, there should be a periodic meeting with the teacher and parents to discuss the child's progress. A condensed version of teaching plans could be made available to the parents so that they would have some understanding of the immediate educational goal to which their child will be exposed. Lists of new words the child has learned should be given to parents at least every two weeks, so that they could use these words at home and in letters. (Many parents fail to write letters to their children in residential schools, simply because they are at a loss to know what words he can comprehend.)

It seems that we parents are always being criticized for not understanding our deaf child's handicap, when in truth we have been given very little opportunity to learn how to deal with his handicap of communication and learning. Since manual methods of communication are again receiving the emphasis that they deserve, this too could be part of the workshop activity. Parents could be shown how they can make use of fingerspelling and the language of signs to encourage their child to lipread and speak. With a clear understanding of the different methods of communication available to the deaf and some basic understanding of what goes on in the classroom, parents find it much easier to accept their child and his handicap of deafness.

Many mothers and fathers fail to understand what is expected of them. They lose valuable years while they flounder about trying to figure out the effects of deafness and what they can do to help their deaf child. Can we afford to let another generation of deaf children grow up without the help and understanding that they so desperately need from their parents? Is it not our responsibility, since we see the problem, to do something to correct this situation? How many superintendents of schools for the deaf will make an effort to set up parent education workshops? **Should not the education of parents be one of the responsibilities of any school for the deaf?** I sincerely hope that this need will be recognized by all educators of the deaf and that steps will be taken immediately to see that parents are given an opportunity to understand and help their deaf child.

Deafness need not be the handicap that it is today. **If we will tackle the problem of deafness in the home, we can eliminate many of the problems of adjustment and acceptance that our deaf citizens face in their adult lives.**



# John Brewster, Jr. . . 18–19th Century Deaf Artist, Accorded Recognition

By ROBERT L. SWAIN, JR.

History, not always too sure of the impartiality of its judgment, usually takes the cautious course of deferring a verdict, whether favorable or adverse, until after a reasonable lapse of time. Slow as the process may be, it ultimately results in a honest evaluation, as such is now being rendered to the credit of John Brewster, Jr.—perhaps most seriously for the first time since his death at the age of 88 in 1854. Among the latest efforts to renew interest in his unique role as a folk artist of the early days of the Republic is the recently published "American Folk Painting," by Mary Black, director of the Museum of American Folk Arts in New York City, and Jean Lipman, editor of *Art in America* magazine. Pointing out that Brewster was "a deaf mute," the authors devote nearly an entire page to him and reenforce their admiration of his artistic ability by reproducing four of his representative oils in full-page plates, one in soft color. The lavishly illustrated, king-size volume—the kind treasured as much by art students as by connoisseurs—refers to Brewster as "perhaps the most appealing of Connecticut artists" in the age of American folk painting. The movement to strengthen the artist's niche in American art seems to have been initiated in 1960 by the Connecticut Historical Society with the publication of a scholarly paper in its *Bulletin*\* and with the sponsorship of a public exhibition of 40 of his portraits in conjunction with Colby College. It was held at the college in Waterville, Maine, in late 1960 and the next year at the society's headquarters in Hartford.

It was not the sheer force of talent alone that earned fame for Brewster. A combination of other personal assets, such as the unerring instinct of a reporter and a warm understanding of human nature, is also responsible for having him identified as one of that select company of itinerant artists, many of them self-taught, who plied their vocation in America during the transition from the colonial period to the eve of the Civil War. With a crudity of technique that redeems itself with a pleasing naivete, they captured with their brushes a microcosm of the land they knew and cherished—the quiet isolation of villages and farms and the rugged determination of the men and women whose overriding credo, puritanic in origin, was hard work. Minus the glamour and embellishments of the polished virtuoso, the



Dr. and Mrs. John Brewster  
(about 1790)  
Actual size, 49½x40½ inches.

folk artists still live through the simple eloquence of their surviving works, the primitive directness of which never fails to stir the senses.

The excellent reproduction of Brewster's paintings in "American Folk Painting" attest to the attractiveness of his quaint style—variously characterized as "crisp and lively . . . with a subtle charm." His power to infuse the rigid poses of his sitters with an unaffected naturalness and grace becomes all the more remarkable in view of the fact that the only known art training he received was from a less gifted folk painter, who took up the palette after illness forced his retirement from the ministry. Moreover, the deaf artist compensated for his absence of formal art instruction by imbuing his portraits with compelling tenderness, sincerity and objective accuracy tinged with sharp realism.

Fortunately for art lovers, the artist's works reproduced in the book are in the safe hands of major and private art collections. The appealing companion portraits, "The Boy with Finch" and "Girl in Green" (both done about 1800), are in the famed Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Collection in Williamsburg, Virginia. The double portrait of the artist's father and stepmother, Dr. and Mrs. John Brewster (circa 1790), is on permanent exhibit at Old Sturbridge Village in Massachusetts, a museum town reminiscent of early rural America. In a private collection is one of Brewster's most notable paintings, that of a demure damsel—painted about 1801—which is regarded by authorities as a milestone in American

portraiture. Describing this picture, "American Folk Painting" says: "One of Brewster's finest works and a landmark in American painting is the calm, beautiful portrait of Sara Prince of Newburyport, Massachusetts, shown seated at a pianoforte and holding a copy of popular turn-of-the-century composition." This description is followed by a poignant reminder of Brewster's deafness: "It is touching to find the artist to whom the world was silent portraying the girl against this background." The charm of Miss Prince's portrait is further revealed in this paragraph: "The color is warm monochromatic symphony—white shading to cream with tones of brown and black. While there is a stillness and solemnity in the girl's pose and countenance, there is gaiety in the musical notes echoed in the painted bellflower design on the keyboard." In this study Brewster also extended his flair for the decorative through his skillful lettering of the song's title—"The Silver Moon."

Another example of Brewster's interpretive eye for details that would disclose a telling facet of a sitter's personality is his objectively convincing double portrait of his parents. A man of education, with a hint of his prosperity suggested in the painting by the shiny metal buckles on his shoes, the physician-father is depicted with a quill pen in hand as if ready to bare his thoughts on a sheet of foolscap resting on a narrow mahogany table. The tight-lipped stepmother, the bony paleness of her slender face heightened by a beribboned white lace cap concealing the grayness of her head, appears as a lady of cultivated tastes—traits evidenced by the leather-bound volume in her right hand. This atmosphere of respectability and unobtrusive affluence in the New England tradition, is accentuated by the trim stretch of lawn seen through a draped window in the background of the portrait. Aside from the difficult feat of catching the unposed candor of adults, Brewster displayed a delicacy of feeling in making children sparkle on canvas that was indicative of his responsiveness to the impressionistic sensitivity of youth. In his paintings of the boy with the finch and the girl in a green frock, these qualities are still as fresh as when they were first applied with wet pigments. The children—"traditionally identified as the son and daughter of a traveling physician"—are believed to be the painter's nephew and niece. Brewster's brother was, like their father, a medical practitioner. In 1796, the brother moved to Buxton, Maine, where he placed his home at the disposal

\* "John Brewster, Jr., 1766-1854, Deaf-Mute Portrait Painter of Connecticut and Maine." By Nina Fletcher Little. (Contains reproductions of the 40 portraits shown at the exhibition). Connecticut Historical Society Bulletin, October 1960, Vol. 25, No. 4.





Sarah Prince—Painted about 1801.  
Actual size, 52½x40 inches.

of the roaming deaf artist whenever he was in that part of the country.

Brewster's perseverance and drive in achieving personal success led him—at the threshold of his fifties—to take the initiative to enroll as the oldest pupil under Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet and Laurent Clerc, when they opened the first permanent school for the deaf in the United States. In recalling this episode, "American Folk Painting" presents this insight into the artist's maturity: "Part of the measure of Brewster's courage and acceptance of his infirmity was his enrollment—at the age of 51—in the first school for the deaf in America, established in Hartford in 1817. In 20 years, only two students supported themselves at the Asylum for Deaf and Dumb Persons—one was John Brewster, Jr." The institution originally named "The American Asylum for the Education and Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb," is now the American School for the Deaf.

How did the artist communicate with others before he entered the new school, obviously for the purpose of learning the systematic sign language that was being introduced in the United States by French-born Clerc? Answering that inevitable question, Nina Fletcher Little, in her documented treatise on Brewster in the October 1960 *Bulletin* of the Connecticut Historical Society, mentioned that a minister-friend of the Brewster family entered in his diary this notation: "Doctor Brewster's son, a deaf and dumb young man, came in the evening. He is very ingenious, has a genius for painting and can write well, and converse by signs so that he may be understood in many things."

"American Folk Painting" is published by Clarkson N. Potter, Inc., 419 Park Avenue S, New York, N. Y. The volume's high readability and wealth of material and plates—a number in color, make it a good buy at \$15 per copy.



## FRONT ROW CENTER

### Hibernating: NTD Style . . .

Naturally at this time of the year, when hopes are high and resolutions rampant, we look ahead. Just what does the future hold for each of us? Will we make it—"it" being mostly money, maybe marriage, or merely more money? However, there are things we see better by looking back. So, with one foot in yesterday and the other in tomorrow, let's take stock of the progress of the National Theatre of the Deaf since it actually began operations last summer in Waterford, Connecticut.

WHOOSH! a whirlwind rehearsal following the close of classes on August 27, and POW! a wow of a tour in the Northeast! As the actors acquired experience, the critics got warmer, the crowds became thicker and the company grew healthier. In short, through the combination of imagination, dedication and hard work on the part of all concerned, a theory was transformed into a living fact.

Came the end of the six-week tour last November, the players disbanded, some returning to their native haunts while others assumed different roles in a new environment. Not surprising—for such is the stuff that actors are made of—the latter proved their ability offstage as well as on. A breakdown of the habits and habitats of the NTD's 14-member cast, its two narrators and one musician, follows:

**Violet Armstrong:** back at her auditing position in New York City.

**Bernard Bragg:** at the NTD's New York office as an assistant to its director, David Hays, who, incidentally, continues set designing for Lincoln Center and other Broadway locations.

**Charles Corey:** with his former printing firm in San Francisco.

**Gilbert Eastman:** as Gallaudet College's drama chief, Gil and his students recently produced "Spoon River Anthology."

**Lou Fant:** continues to assist Mr. Hays at the Broadway office, at the same time taking drama courses at the Berghof Studios.

**Phyllis Frelich:** serving as a librarian on the Gallaudet campus.

**Audree Norton:** at home with her husband and two children in Berkeley, California.

**Mary Beth Miller:** teaching drama at the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf in Portland, Maine.

**Howard Palmer:** bringing the wonders of the stage to the pupils of the American School for the Deaf, West Hartford, Connecticut.

**June Russi:** Mrs. Eastman in private life, June has her hands full with two children in their Maryland home.

**Tim Scanlon:** continuing his sophomore studies at Gallaudet College.

**Andrew Vasnich:** with the New York School for the Deaf in White Plains as its drama director.

**Joe Velez:** like Mr. Corey, Joe has returned to the printing industry in San Francisco.

**Ralph White:** serving as a guidance counselor at the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin.

**Joyce Flynn:** Director Gene Lasko's wife in private, she is currently pursuing a professional career of her own on Broadway.

**William Rhys:** having assisted Mr. Eastman at Gallaudet College last fall, Bill is now teaching accredited drama courses there.

**Edward Fearon:** presently doing a musical of his own which he hopes will have a debut next fall.

Even as you read, the above-mentioned will have returned to New York for the big show on March 4 at Lincoln Center's Vivian Beaumont Theater. Then off again to the Far West, possibly with some TV stops at Minneapolis and San Francisco. And, of course, this summer will see a repeat of last year's three-week drama seminar for the deaf at Waterford.

Which reminds me: do **you** have talent? You don't know until you try, and the time to write, by the way, is **now:** Mr. David Hays, Director, The National Theatre of the Deaf, 1860 Broadway, New York, N. Y. 10023.

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# Professional Rehabilitation Workers Convene In Pittsburgh

By TOM MAYES

The Professional Rehabilitation Workers with the Adult Deaf (PRWAD) held its first national convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 18 and 19, 1967. Over 100 persons—counselors, psychologists, social workers, teacher, speech therapists, religious workers, audiologists—from all parts of the country attended.

The program consisted of business meetings, group discussions, addresses by Dr. Gerald H. Fisher, Mr. Albert Pimentel and Dr. E. Ross Stuckless, a banquet and the informal social complements attendant to national conventions. Of greatest significance, however, was the fact that the gathering marked the first formal meeting of the newest and one of the most purposeful professional groups dealing with the problems of the deaf.

PRWAD was founded in May 1966, in St. Louis, concurrent with the Workshop on Rehabilitation Casework Standards for the Deaf, a Vocational Rehabilitation Administration-financed conference sponsored by the Institute for Research on Exceptional Children, University of Illinois. This followed several months of preparatory efforts by a steering committee which was organized in October 1964 by participants in another Vocational Rehabilitation Administration-sponsored conference, the National Workshop on Improved Opportunities for the Deaf at the University of Tennessee.

The purposes of the organization, formally stated, are (1) to promote development and expansion of professional rehabilitation services for the adult deaf; (2) to provide a forum and a common meeting ground so that the organization may be instrumental in bringing about a better understanding of deaf people as a whole by encouraging students, professional persons and laymen to develop more



Larry Bunde, one of five interpreters who volunteered their services for the first PRWAD convention. Other interpreters were Mrs. Fannie Lang, Mrs. Leo Doerfler, Mrs. Shirley Paceffi and Frank Wagganecht.

than a superficial understanding of the needs and problems of this group—especially the problems related to communication techniques needed to work effectively with the adult deaf in a rehabilitation setting; (3) to promote and encourage scientific research of the needs and problems engendered by deafness which inhibit in important ways the successful overall functioning of a deaf person; (4) to promote and develop recruitment and training of professional workers with the deaf; (5) to sponsor a professional publication for the promotion of inter- and intra-disciplinary communication among professional persons primarily concerned with deaf adults and others interested in such activities; and (6) to cooperate

with other organizations concerned with deafness and the deaf with rehabilitation and allied services in promoting and encouraging legislation pertinent to the development of professional services and facilities for the adult deaf.

Membership in the organization is open to rehabilitation counselors, social workers, educators and professionals in allied fields who provide services on behalf of deaf adults. Applicants without degrees will be accepted for membership through June 30, 1969. Beyond that date, however, membership will be limited to those holding at least an undergraduate degree. Dues are \$10 per year and include a subscription to the **Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf** and other special publications of PRWAD.

Persons interested in joining the organization should write to William Woodrick, Secretary, PRWAD, Department of Special Education, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee 37916.

Gary D. Blake of the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center, Hot Springs, Arkansas, is president of the new organization. Other officers are Robert R. Lauritsen, St. Paul, Minnesota, first vice president; Stephen P. Quigley, University of Illinois, Urbana, second vice president; William E. Woodrick, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, secretary; and Albert T. Pimentel, Washington, D.C., treasurer.

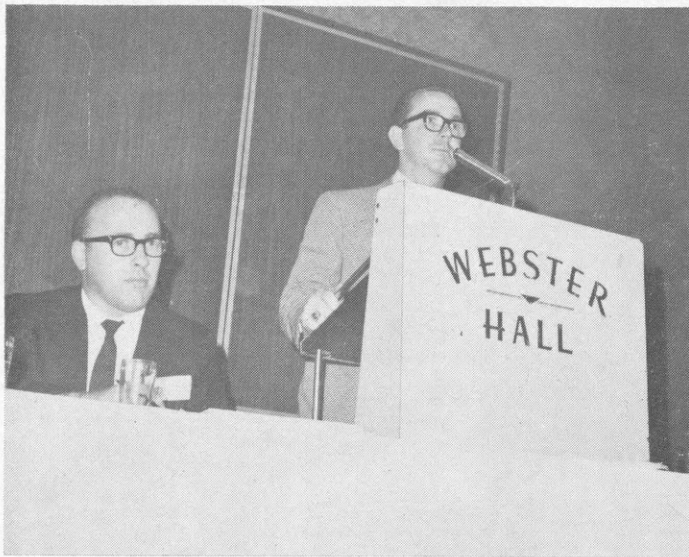
Executive board members are Victor H. Galloway, Tucson, Arizona; Alan B. Jones, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Glenn T. Lloyd, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Boyce R. Williams, Washington, D.C.

PRWAD's professional quarterly, the **Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf**, edited by Roger M. Falberg, Kansas City, Missouri, provides a forum in which issues, topics, research findings and other



REGISTRATION DESK—The registration line for the first meeting of the Professional Rehabilitation Workers with the Adult Deaf was well organized. In the picture at the left, Alan Jones is shown with one of his attractive assistants. In the other picture, Boyce Williams (left) teams up with Bill Ethridge for one of these important telephone calls.





PRWAD President Gary Blake calls the first general session of the Pittsburgh convention to order. Bill Woodrick, secretary, is on the left. Board members Alan Jones (left) and Glenn Lloyd compare results of the organization's old and new crest at the right.

information relevant to working with deaf adults may be discussed.

Among pertinent new business conducted at the Pittsburgh convention was the election of three representatives to the Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf: Herbert L. Pickell, Eugene Petersen and Louis Wilcox. Unanimously endorsed by

the membership was a resolution supporting the National Association of Hearing and Speech Agencies in establishing community services for deaf adults in its existing network of hearing and speech centers. Tom Coleman, executive secretary of NAHSA, was presented at the meeting.

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Editor's note: The following is printed in an effort to keep DEAF AMERICAN readers informed of what is going on concerning workshops and other Federally-supported projects:

## Recent Social And Rehabilitation Service Workshops

**Better Techniques of Communications for Severely Language Handicapped Deaf People**, August 21-25, 1967, Hotel Andrew Johnson, Knoxville.

Fourteen deaf and hearing persons participated in this workshop sponsored by the Catholic University of America which had for its objective the development of visible English for better language training. A training manual and film are being prepared for use in rehabilitation centers and other resources serving severely handicapped deaf people. Mrs. Edna Adler of the Rehabilitation Services Administration planned and conducted this meeting.

**National Conference for Coordinating Voc-**

**ational Education Services for the Deaf**, November 6-9, 1967, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces.

This workshop, a joint effort of the Rehabilitation Services Administration and Office of Education, directed by Dr. Marshall Hester, brought together 200 educators of the deaf and state vocational rehabilitation agency personnel to spearhead regional programs for better vocational rehabilitation opportunities for deaf people. Early reactions suggest that the better working relations that will ensue between the two professions that share a mutual concern for the welfare of deaf people will make this historic meeting a benchmark in public service to deaf people.

## Future Workshops

**Conference to Develop Guidelines for Mental Health Services for Deaf People**, February 15-17, 1968, sponsored by the New York State Psychiatric Institute, will be held in Houston, Texas.

More and better mental health services for deaf people are expected to result from this conference that will involve participants drawn from the areas of psychiatry, psychology, social work, religion, education, and rehabilitation. The published workshop proceedings will be an important guide for non-medical people in promoting better mental health services for the deaf. Dr. John D. Rainer and Dr. Kenneth Z. Altshuler, the co-directors, were assisted in the planning of the workshop by:

Dr. McCay Vernon, Research Psychologist, Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, Chicago  
Dr. Roy Steele, Superintendent, New York School for the Deaf, White Plains

Mr. Norman Tully, Coordinator, Rehabilitation Counseling with the Deaf Program, University of Arizona, Tucson  
Mrs. Elizabeth Wiggam, Social Worker, Texas School for the Deaf, Austin  
Mr. Harold Ramger, California School for the Deaf, Berkeley  
Mr. William Woodrick, Director, Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
Dr. L. Reno Reed, Executive Secretary, Senory Study Section, Social and Rehabilitation Service, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. Boyce R. Williams, Chief, Communication Disorders Branch, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Washington, D. C.  
Mrs. Edna P. Adler, Specialist, Deaf and the Hard of Hearing, Communication Disorders Branch, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Washington, D. C.

**Utilization of New Media in the Vocational Rehabilitation Process with Multiply Handicapped Deaf People**, March 4-7, 1968, sponsored by the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Guidelines for the selection and use of appropriate media for vocational rehabilitation personnel who serve severely handicapped deaf people is the important objective of this joint workshop by Captioned Films for the Deaf, Office of Education and Rehabilitation Services Administration. The identification of behavioral objectives for habilitation of severely handicapped deaf people that may be facilitated in use of select media will be a focal topic for discussion by the approximately 80 invited trainees and consultants. The workshop was planned by:

Knoxville  
Mr. William E. Woodrick (co-director)  
Dr. William D. Jackson (co-director)  
Mr. William E. Davis  
Dr. Roger Frey  
Mr. Robert Gonzales  
Dr. Lloyd Graunke  
Mr. Albert Pimentel, Executive Director of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. Lester Stanfill, Media Specialist of the Indiana School, Indianapolis  
**Captioned Films for the Deaf**  
Mr. Edward Carney  
Mr. George Propp

### Rehabilitation Services Administration

Dr. L. Deno Reed  
Mr. Boyce R. Williams  
Mrs. Edna P. Adler

**Workshop to Develop Guidelines for Comprehensive Vocational Services for Severely Handicapped Deaf People**, March 31-April 3, 1968, sponsored by DePaul University of Chicago will be held in New Orleans.

Better techniques of service for severely handicapped deaf people in the framework of identification, evaluation, training, placement and followup are anticipated outcome of this workshop that will be very helpful to rehabilitation agencies and personnel serving them. More effective programs for the many deaf people who need special services so that they may become suitably employed is foreseen. Dr. W. Desmond Phillips of DePaul University, the workshop director, was aided in planning by the following persons:

Mr. F. Eugene Thomure, Assistant Director, Institute of Advanced Study, DePaul University, Chicago  
Mr. Farrell Mitchell, Chief, Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Illinois Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Springfield  
Mr. Victor Galloway, Rehabilitation Center, University of Arizona, Tucson  
Mr. Calton James, Sonoma State Hospital, Eldridge, California  
Dr. James Chalfont, University of Illinois, Champaign  
Dr. Edward Pfeifer, Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Madison  
Mr. Robert Sanderson  
Dr. W. S. Rybak, Assistant Superintendent, Dixon State School, Dixon, Illinois  
Mr. Henry Warner, Chicago Regional Office  
**National Advisory Council on Education of the Deaf**  
Mrs. Patria Forsythe  
Miss Judy Fein  
Dr. L. Deno Reed, Social and Rehabilitation Service

### Rehabilitation Services Administration

Mr. Harold Shay  
Mr. Boyce R. Williams  
Mrs. Edna P. Adler

**International Seminar on Vocational Rehabilitation Research in Deafness and Deaf People**, May 26-June 15, 1968, sponsored by the National Association of the Deaf at New York, Hot Springs, and Washington, D. C.

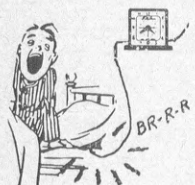
The important interchange of research knowledge and experience by 25 invited foreign visitors and five Americans at this first international seminar in the area of the deaf will greatly stimulate the work in all of the represented countries. Study and discussion at three appropriate locations will concern mental health services, family counseling, community services, language development, diagnosis and evaluation, work evaluation and vocational adjustment. Planning is being done by:

Mr. Frederick C. Schreiber, Executive Secretary, National Association of the Deaf, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. Mervin D. Garretson, Executive Director, Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf, Washington, D. C.  
Dr. L. Deno Reed  
Dr. James F. Garrett, Assistant Administrator, Research and Demonstrations, Social and Rehabilitation Service, Washington, D. C.  
Dr. Martin E. McCavitt, Chief, Division of International Rehabilitation Activities, Social and Rehabilitation Service, Washington, D. C.  
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New vocational training opportunities for deaf people at Delgado College in New Orleans and at Seattle Community College will become available in the next 18 months. A third site may be in the Midwest. The excellent prevocational training provided by many schools for the deaf will be very helpful in qualifying deaf people for these programs that will be coordinated by the University of Pittsburgh under the direction of Dr. William Craig. Plans for this developing network of vo-

cational training opportunities for the deaf were made at an ad hoc meeting held in Washington, September 8-9, 1966. Serving on the committee were:

Dr. Robert Frisina, Vice President, National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester, New York  
 Dr. Marshall Hester, Project Director, New Mexico Foundation, University Park, New Mexico  
 Miss Audrey Hicks, Houston, Texas  
 Mr. Robert G. Sanderson, Coordinator, Program for the Deaf, Salt Lake City, Utah  
 Mr. Harry W. Troop, Deputy Director, Client Services Special Programs, Springfield, Illinois  
 Mr. Barry Griffing, Consultant in Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Department of Education, Los Angeles, California  
 Mr. Dale C. Williamson, Assistant Regional Representative, Rehabilitation Services Administration, San Francisco, California  
 Dr. William Desmond Phillips, Program Director, Institute for the Study of Exceptional Children, DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I have just read with interest Mr. David Davidowitz' letter (December 1967) in which he states that "President Sanderson's cry for help in training young leaders in schools and in cities must become more personal . . ." I feel compelled to reply because I **know** that President Sanderson is already personally involved.

Item 1: Much of the impetus for the recent upsurge in the Junior NAD is due to President Sanderson's interest and concern with the resulting selection of Frank Turk to carry out the program.

Item 2: President Sanderson just recently completed a speaking engagement in New Mexico as guest of the Junior NAD. His impact at the school assembly was terrific and it could not have been so if he were not sincerely interested in the students in his audience.

Item 3: President Sanderson has kept himself informed of all the Junior NAD activities and in touch with its national directors. Just a few days ago I received a copy of his letter to Miss Nancy Jo Leon, a Gallaudet prep and chairman of the first annual Junior NAD convention to be held on the college campus in May. His letter to her is too long to quote here; however, he congratulates her on her selection as chairman and notes that "throughout the next six months, what you learn is preparation for the future. After this the big jobs will not scare you." It is obvious he is aware that she is receiving good leadership training in her capacity.

Item 4: President Sanderson and the NAD Executive Board voted to provide cash awards for the Junior NAD creative writing contest last year. There were more than 150 entries from students living in all parts of the United States.

I might add that through the Junior NAD chapters, students are provided with many opportunities for developing leadership,

expanding their awareness, working on projects to benefit their schools and communities, learning to operate with parliamentary procedure, accepting and sharing responsibility and generally making themselves more worthwhile citizens. As far as I know, the students **do** debate issues and projects, at least they do here at NMSD.

With the skills acquired in the Junior NAD chapter meetings, the students become contributing, knowledgeable members of all groups to which they belong. Proof of this was apparent to me at a gathering of Junior NAD members during the summer school for new students at Gallaudet last July. I was personally impressed with the way students spoke up at an informal round table discussion we had with several sponsors. Although the students had just arrived at Gallaudet a few days previously and barely knew each other, they had enough self-confidence to join the discussion, to listen and to be sensitive to the thoughts and feelings of the others. They were a remarkably mature group and the sponsors of the chapters from which they came would have been proud of them.

This all goes back, partly, to President Sanderson's desire to see the Junior NAD become the tool with which students would be provided with opportunities for developing their leadership potential. In closing, I would like to add that the Junior NAD has emphasized not only leadership but well-rounded development including athletic, cultural, and academic. This is evident in the pages of each issue of the **Junior Deaf American** which is almost entirely the work of the students.

Mr. Davidowitz, may I suggest that you plan to attend the Junior NAD convention at Gallaudet, May 8-12, 1968. It is being planned entirely by the prep Junior NAD members. I think you will be impressed. By the way, what are **you** doing to help train leaders among our youth?

Sincerely yours,

Judy Tingley, Executive Editor  
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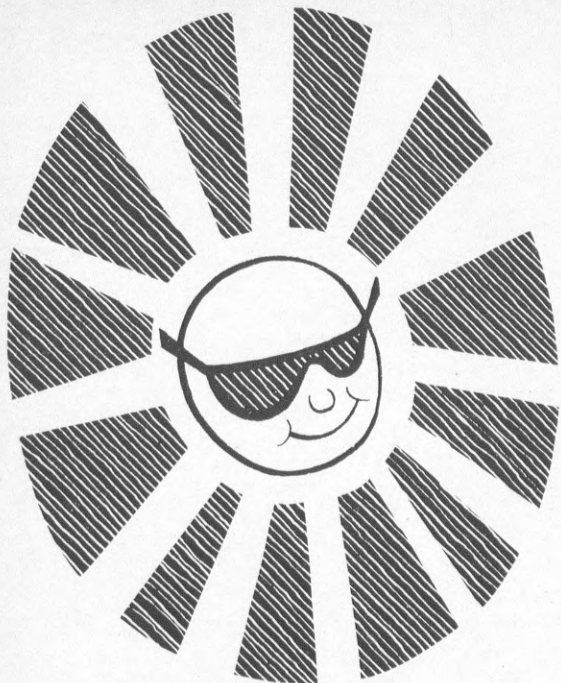
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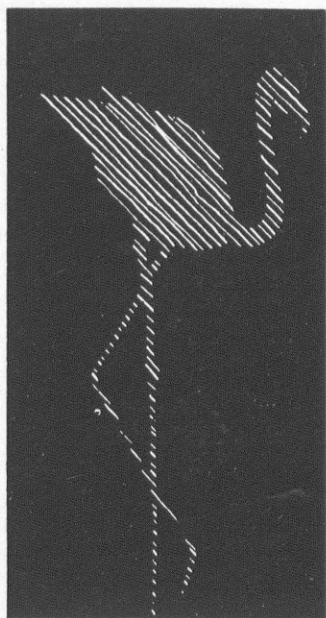
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### Connecticut . . .

**WELCOME TO THE YANKEE STATE—**We extended a grand welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Louie Fant and family formerly of Maryland as residents of Connecticut. They became residents as of July 1, 1967. Louie resigned from the Gallaudet College staff in June to become active with the Eugene O'Neill Memorial Theatre Foundation of Waterford, the National Theatre of the Deaf.

**45th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY—**October 14, 1967, was a grand day for Mr. and Mrs. John J. McMahon, Sr., of East Hartford as on that date they celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary by inviting their son and daughter-in-law (Norma Watson), Mr. and Mrs. John J. McMahon, Jr., and two grandchildren to an anniversary dinner. The highlight of the event was a beautiful anniversary cake with 45 candles. Many diners in the restaurant wondered what was what. When they found out, they came over to the McMahons' table to congratulate them. . . . Not to be outdone about 50 friends, both deaf and hearing, gathered at the beautiful home of Johnny and Norma on Sunday afternoon, October 15, to surprise them with a housewarming party in Simsbury. They received many useful gifts as well as Uncle Sam's green stuff. Host and hostess for the party were Mr. and Mrs. John McMahon, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rauras.

**OBITUARY—**Clarence M. Baldwin, 67, of New Haven passed away on October 10. He was a graduate of the American School for the Deaf (Old Hartford) and of Gallaudet College and was active in the affairs of the New Haven deaf for nearly 40 years. He was also secretary of the ASD Alumni Association for many years and was a member of New Haven Division, NFSD, Gallaudet College Alumni Association as well as the ASD Alumni Association. He was employed by Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Division of United Aircraft Corp. for 22 years until his retirement about four years ago because of ill health. . . . Matthew Bakos of California, formerly of Bridgeport, died on October 20 after a year's illness. Burial was in Bridgeport on October 25. . . . Benjamin Marcus, formerly of Bridgeport but a resident of the Boston area since early 30s, passed away this past summer from a sudden heart failure. He attended the American School for the Deaf, Class of '29, and was a member of Quinicy Deaf Club and Boston Division, NFSD.

FROM THE NOTEBOOK—At the reun-

ion of the American School for the Deaf Alumni Association held last June, the following officers were elected for the 1967-1969 term: President, Joseph Pohka, East Hartford; vice president, Dennis Walsh, West Hartford; secretary, James A. Sullivan, West Hartford; treasurer, Morton B. Hadlock (reelected), West Hartford. . . . The writer, while attending the convention of the American Instructors of the Deaf for an afternoon last June, had the pleasure of meeting three old classmates he hadn't seen for several years. They were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Galluzzo of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Max Friedman of New York City. . . . Just missed seeing Miss Ione Dibble, also of Colorado and a friend of his and his late wife, Mable P. Barrett. By the way Ione and the late Sarah Tuck were the first deaf persons to be employed by an insurance company in Hartford in the 20s. They were employed by the Hartford Fire Insurance Company for several years before leaving Connecticut for greener fields, Ione to New York City and Miss Tuck to her native state of Kentucky where she remained for a few years until her death. Hartford Fire Insurance Co. is located on the site of the Old Hartford School. . . . Also had the pleasure of meeting Michel Lapides, best known as "Mike" to old friends. The last time the writer had seen him was in 1925. Also on hand was Malcolm Norwood of Maryland, formerly of Hartford.

### California . . .

Pre-holiday visitors to Los Angeles and Long Beach included Ruth Aycock of Oakland and Fern Leon of Phoenix. Ruth dropped in at the Long Beach Club and Fern visited the Los Angeles emporium the next weekend, meeting with friends they had not seen in years, thereby missing each other. This was a shame since both of them attended the Oklahoma School together years ago.

Among those crowding the Long Beach strand and the bluffs overlooking the vast Pacific as well as the various piers and Pierpoint Landing to view the momentous arrival of the Queen Mary in Long Beach Harbor December 9 were Flo and Herman Skedsmo and daughter Carolyn Schmidt, Joe and Evelyn Wheeler, Victoria Cookson, Mary Powell and James and Maudie Syphard, most of them Long Beach residents. The following day, Sunday, Harold Rehn took Victoria, along with Verna Cechnicki and Harriett Walker, up in his private plane for an even better

view of the big liner. Harold also made a second flight taking Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wright and Catherine Flanders aloft for a birdseye view which is the best way and possible only if you are fortunate enough to be friends with a plane pilot. Harold, though deaf, is a licensed pilot with his own plane, a four-seater, and delights in taking his friends on flights. Anyway the group had a wonderful time of it while others had to be content with bucking the crowds and freeway traffic. A few were fortunate enough to see the Mary's arrival aboard sightseeing boats and private vessels. John Fail's fishing boat is tied up within a few yards of the big ship and John says that the best vantage point right now is Pierpoint Landing, preferably in the daytime, since the ship is undergoing extensive alterations now and is unlighted at night.

New York's Robert Jennings stopped over in Long Beach and Los Angeles for a few days following the arrival of the Queen Mary. Robert was the only deaf person to make the voyage from Southampton to Long Beach and folks were much interested in his account of the trip which he enjoyed tremendously due to the friendliness of the other passengers and the crew who extended every courtesy.

Meanwhile the Queen Mary continues to be Long Beach's main attraction and we're pondering the idea of a CAD convention aboard her in some far year . . . isn't that something worth thinking about? It'd be a real flabbergaster . . . the Queen Mary is being renovated into a hotel and convention center as well as a Marine Museum. The ship is off limits to visitors for the next year or so, except for those with special passes, and, anyway, we doubt you'd enjoy going aboard what with those security guards giving you the eye when you get on, and "frisking" you when you get off. You're required to sign a lot of forms which permit the rent-a-cops to search you; absolve the City Fathers of blame in the event you should stumble into an old boiler or else fall over something or other. If you have ideas of snitching a souvenir such as an ashtray, best forget it altogether and, anyhow, as I said before, you probably wouldn't want to tour a ship on which the personnel doesn't trust you, eh? (If you do decide to swipe an ashtray, carry it off in your hand . . . that's the last place the cops would look, betcha!)

Mrs. Berta Guerre of Anaheim announces the marriage of her daughter, Brenda Joy, to Mr. Donald Rumph on January 6. Ceremony took place in Saint Juliana's Catholic Church, Fullerton, with a reception immediately following.

Alex Spiak, the Los Angeles Club's popular "young man behind the bar" took unto himself a lovely bride in the person of sweet Linda Heilman in October. A huge wedding reception was given for the popular couple at the California Home for the Aged Deaf over in Arcadia the afternoon of November 19, with the staff and residents of the Home doing the honors. We are all so glad for Alex and his Linda; may heaven bless their union.

Although we had been sort of suspicious

for a long time, it was still a pleasant surprise to find, among our Christmas mail, a card announcing the marriage of Teresa Connors, Berkeley, and Gerald Burstein of Riverside. What set us back on our heels was the date of the wedding, last August 8, no less, in New York City. Congratulations to Teresa and Bummy. They'll be "at home" after January 1 in an apartment up in Berkeley. What bugs us is how come we didn't manage to catch on long 'ere now . . . we're slipping!

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Deasee of North Long Beach announce the recent marriages of two of their children. Their eldest son was married last September in Bellflower church and, following a gala reception, took his pretty young bride off to Santa Barbara on a honeymoon. Their only daughter was married in a North Long Beach church shortly before the Thanksgiving holiday with an overflow crowd of family and friends attending the reception which followed. Catherine and Mike are very happy with their new daughter-in-law as well as their new son-in-law, all of whom will live nearby . . . so the Deasee family continues to expand.

Amusing note in our Christmas mail informs us that Aunt Annie gave Uncle Joe a pair of work gloves for Christmas! And our mailman once again has a smile on his face; after wrestling with all those Christmas greetings, he looks forward to the coming weeks during which he will, almost exclusively, be delivering those standard business envelopes used by the credit departments of various stores. Anyway, into each life some rain must fall (guess who's the drip in mine?).

The Thanksgiving holiday brought sad news from Yakima, Washington, that David McClary was killed instantly in an auto accident on Thanksgiving Day and Mrs. McClary was hospitalized with critical injuries suffered in the crash which occurred on an icy highway. Both David and Frances (nee Richey) attended the Oklahoma School and a photograph of them appeared in a recent issue of THE DEAF AMERICAN. Both were longtime residents of Los Angeles before moving up to Central Point, Oregon, some years ago and most recently to Yakima. David had been blind of recent years and greatly depressed despite the loving and devoted care Frances gave him. Friends everywhere are hoping to hear very soon that Frances is recovering from her injuries and extend love and sympathy to her and all who survive.

Mrs. Margaret E. Meloy, widow of the late William P. Meloy, long-time residents of Yankton, South Dakota, passed away in Los Angeles October 1 following a more

than three-year bout with cancer. Mrs. Meloy, the former Margaret Jones, attended St. John's Catholic School for the Deaf and the Wisconsin School, marrying William at Lake Preston, South Dakota, on November 24, 1915, and moving to Yankton. Survivors include a daughter and a son, Caroline Doerr Tolliver, of Duarte, California, and Roy Wm. Meloy who lives at the family home, 3856 Broadlawn Drive, Hollywood. Another son, Louis Melvin Meloy, is deceased. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Arnold Jonas at the Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Los Angeles and interment was in Hollywood Hills Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ramger of Oakland are cheered by the latest letter from Hal that Cato is resting at home following a cerebral hemorrhage suffered at home October 29. Cato spent three weeks in the hospital, part of that time in intensive care, but Hal reports that she is making excellent progress although it may be quite some time before she fully recovers from such a serious illness. Our love and our prayers are with you, Cato . . . and, Hal, please keep everyone posted as to her progress and take good care of little Nan and Pam.

Waverly Dyke, Jerry Fail and Marcella Skelton were but three of those spending part of the Christmas holidays flat on their backs in bed though Jerry and Waverly have managed to bounce back somewhat. Marcella was not so lucky and spent several days in durance-vile, the hospital! Mary (Mrs. Lester) Hagemeyer suffered a stroke and was confined to the hospital just before the holidays and friends are anxious to know how she is progressing. Our one and only F. A. Caligiuri spent nine whole days in the hospital, much to his disgust, with a back ailment, but made it home before Christmas.

Bowling continues to be the main topic of conversation around the Los Angeles area and, of them all, the Long Beach League appears to be the most hotly contested with three top teams staging a running battle (with the others not too far behind) at 6:30 each Wednesday night over at Red Fox Lanes in North Long Beach. As the league moves into the final weeks, kibitzers and members of the cheering gallery are a mighty confused bunch; they never know which team to root for; so with human nature being what it is and everybody wanting to join the winner's circle, they vacillate from the Hataris to the Impossibles to the Cannonballs meanwhile keeping a weather-eye out for the Unpredictables and the Falling Pins who threaten to usurp any one of the top three. One week the Hataris are out front with the Cannon-

balls in third place and then the next week the Cannonballs are off and running only to be usurped the following week by the Impossibles, and there you have it, which is the way it should be because leagues comprised of evenly-matched teams add up to an exciting season! In case you are wondering, the Hataris are Pat Luna, Willa Haddon, Bob Greaves and Stan Olsen while the Impossibles include Jerry Fail, Calvin Tatum, Kathy Tatum and Jerry Stilwell. The Cannonballs are Kathy Mays, Fred Gries, Joanne Hamblin and John Fail. The Impossibles are aptly named and attempt the near impossible every Wednesday due to their low handicap. Personally, we opine that this handicap bizness is for the birds and we'd like to meet up with the jerk who invented such a system. Well, anyway those of you with a penchant for gambling are advised NOT to bet on which team wins the Long Beach championship . . . it's a complete tossup! That loud noise you'll hear a few weeks hence will be cheers for the winning team . . . but, which one, we dare not even venture a guess!

Curtis and Frances Pasley have been living at the home of Curtis' brother on Woodruff Avenue in nearby Lakewood the past several months with Curits handling the heavy household chores while his brother recuperates from a prolonged illness. Like we keep telling you, the Pasleys are rather special people, always ready to lend a helping hand where needed, and the arrangement has been made difficult by the fact that Frances has to remain in North Hollywood during the week (because of her job) and makes it out to Lakewood only on weekends to be with Curtis. At this writing they are making plans to move back to their old neighborhood now that the brother is well again . . . they've missed their friends and old haunts rather badly the past winter months.

Marcella Skelton, as well as the other officers of the Long Beach Club, breathed a huge sigh of relief November 11 with the grand finale of the six-month-long Talent Contest, instigated and carried through by Marcie, performed before a record crowd at the club that evening. To fill you in on what transpired: Round 1 took place last June 10 with top honors going to Oliver K. Sandager and Owen Study; Round 2 on July 8 was won by Nicky Elliott and Helen Holmes; Round 3 on August 12 went to Cecil and Virginia Christensen as a husband and wife team, and to Jerry Fail; and Round 4 on September 9 went to Roosevelt Shepherd and Connie Sixbery. Contestants were given a breather during October and on November 11 came the much-anticipated Round 5! Promptly at 9 p.m. the overhead lights

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were dimmed as members of the jury . . . er judging panel . . . filed in and were seated with solemn ceremony while the various contestants who had made it to the finals hovered nervously backstage and indulged in a most serious nail-biting session as one by one they went onstage to brave the footlights . . . the speculative audience . . . and the stony stares of the pokerfaced jury. . . er . . . judges! (Personally, we found the effect almost completely demoralizing until we fixed our eyes firmly on one of the brightest footlights, thereby blotting out all else!)

Well, to make a long story short, Round 5 was a humdinger and nearly ended in a hung jury! Having duly weighed the merits of each contestant, the judges filed out to indulge in a prolonged summit conference while no one else dared hazard a guess as to the ultimate decision, and the contestants were undecided whether to take it on the lam or stay and face the verdict. Their agony finally ended with the reappearance of Kyle Workman, the head juror! Amid all pomp and circumstance, Kyle handed Chairman Marcella a slip of paper, whereupon Marcella announced the fatal results and the winners took their bows (and coin-of-the-realm awards). First place went to Nicky Elliott for his rendition of five current hit songs. Second place went to Helen Holmes for her hip-swinging hula, a skit, and an even swingier Tahitian dance. Third place went to Jerry Fail for the Hawaiian

"Beyond the Reef," a comic takeoff on "Blue Eyed Money," and the so-well-remembered lines of "When You And I Were Young." Fourth place went to Roosevelt Shepherd whose lively, not to mention energetic, dancing was really quite spectacular. To Nicky, our sincere congratulations and hopes for a repeat performance in the near-future . . . "You're My Sunshine!" And to Marcella, a huge bunch of posies for a good job well done!

Victoria Cookson, Verna Cechnicki, Flo Skedsmo and Peggy Rattan can talk of little else these days other than their big plans for taking in the NAD convention in Las Vegas come June after which they will also go along on the Mexico City tour. However, they are not alone because from where we sit, it looks like the Las Vegas convention is going to outdo the one in San Francisco . . . and we are looking forward to seeing all of you come June 17. But NOT in the casinos, mind you, cause we'd hate to see you lose your shirt before you've had time to unpack it! Those of you who plan to attend the NAD convention can look forward to the time of your life because Las Vegas (better known as Neonville-on-the-Mesquite) is probably the nation's entertainment capital with never a dull moment. (We've just had a horrible thought . . . will any of you take time out to attend the convention business sessions?)

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin C. Thompson of Berkeley announce the marriage of their

daughter, Carolyn Ann, to Mr. Lee Morgan Evans. Wedding took place October 7 at Coronado (Coronado Island, across the bay from San Diego) where the young people are now making their home.

Joe and Mardee Gneechi of Seattle, Washington, have been in the process of adopting a four-year-old deaf child, Kathy, and it is hoped that by the time you read this, little Kathy will be at home with them. The Gneechis are a hearing couple and Mardee is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lindemoen of Los Angeles.

We are saddened by the sudden passing of Mr. Charles Ashley during the early morning hours of November 21. Charles was extremely active some years ago when the Long Beach Club of the Deaf was first organized but, of recent years, he was forced to curtail his activities due to a heart attack which eventually took his life. Funeral services were held November 25 with burial at Green Hills Memorial Park, San Pedro. Survivors include his wife, Vella; Theo Duncan of Torrance, Carol Kupper of Riverside; Charles Ashley, Jr., of Chattanooga, Tennessee; and Mrs. Edward Cafiero of St. Louis, Missouri. Mrs. Cafiero spent several weeks with Vella at the family home in Torrance, helping her become adjusted. Our sincere condolences are extended to the bereaved family and it goes without saying that Charles is greatly missed by all of us who knew him.

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## Colorado . . .

Ben Friedwald of New York City stopped at Colorado Springs for three days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Welsh and friends. He dropped in to see Edward L. Sherwood, a New Yorker who worked for the New York Herald Tribune for about 30 years and who is now in the Union Printers Home recuperating from a minor illness. Mr. Friedwald's visit was like a Christmas present to Mr. Sherwood. Mr. Sherwood reports the Home staff are treating him well and he is getting a good rest, along with good care and good food. If any of Mr. Sherwood's friends are traveling through Colorado, it would be nice if they could stop and visit him.

Mrs. Elsie Reynolds was in the hospital for a couple of days during the month of November for minor surgery. She went to San Diego, California, to spend the holidays with her daughter and family.

The parsonage of Bethel Lutheran Church at 750 South Franklin Street, Denver, was the quiet setting on November 18, for the wedding of Mrs. Helen Urie of Denver to Mr. Clarence Schmidt of Denver. The bride was the widow of the late Glen Urie while Mr. Schmidt was also the widower since his late wife Laura passed away about two years ago. The Rev. Donald W. Zuhn officiated at the quiet ceremony. They are making their home at 115 West Bayaud Street, Denver. Mr. Clarence Schmidt is the father of our Fred Schmidt and also of two other boys, Walter and Chester, and a girl, Anna Harris.

Mrs. Ada Quinn of Rifle, Colorado, was Miss Ione Dibble's house guest for a couple of days before Thanksgiving. Ada returned to Rifle in order to enjoy turkey dinner with her brother who was coming down from California. Mrs. Alice Palazzi, sister of Ada, joined with him in returning to California for the Christmas holidays.

On November 19, Mrs. Margaret Herhold and John Carlson motored to Loveland to spend the day visiting with the Conrad Urbachs who later took them to dinner at Fort Collins Pancake House. While there Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith of Fort Collins called on them and all had a nice visit together. The Smiths, formerly of Omaha, Nebraska, moved to Fort Collins where both have good positions.

Mrs. Conrad Urbach went to Morristown, New Jersey, during the month of October to visit her daughter by her first marriage to the late Mr. Arvonitz. Mrs. Urbach met her three grandchildren for the first time and all had a very happy visit together.

Paul Miller of Ogden, Utah, came to Colorado to visit Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brewer and sons at Greeley.

Colorado Springs Silent Club officers for 1967-68: Melvin Haptonstall, president; Bill Owens, vice president; Nancy Buckmaster, secretary; Tony Quintana, treasurer; and Herman Butler, Cora Parkhurst and John Buckmaster, members of the board.



**FORTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**—Mr. and Mrs. William Henry of Colorado Springs were honored at a 40th wedding anniversary reception at the home of the John Buckmasters last August 18. The surprise reception was given by Messrs. Tony Quintana and John Pat Warriner. Among the many friends who attended were Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Brown of Colorado Springs, former superintendent of the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind, and Raymond Jenkin of Christchurch, New Zealand. Mr. and Mrs. Henry were married on August 20, 1927, in Colorado Springs at the Sacred Heart Church. Mr. Henry owns and operates Henry's Shoe Repair Shop and has been in the shoe repairing business since 1939. A reception for Mr. and Mrs. Henry was given by their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Kondrolis, in the garden of their lovely home in Denver on Sunday, August 20. A large group of friends, both from Denver and Colorado Springs, turned out to wish the popular couple many more happy years.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pollock moved to Denver from Florida five years ago and are very enthusiastic about Colorado's climate. Mr. Pollock recently bought a Polaris Snowmobile (a sort of Ski-Do) and has been getting a lot of use out of it up in the mountains.

Erma Rubin, Betty Cornwell and Joyce Aregi are attending Central Business College in Denver. They are learning to type. Erma now is taking key punch lessons.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Janovick have sold their South Linley Street home and are now living with one of their granddaughters in Denver.

Many of the Denver deaf who remember Mr. and Mrs. Algot Anderson of Meriden, Connecticut, may be interested to know that their son Pete and his family who at times lived in Portland, Maine, and Salem, Oregon, where he taught at both schools for the deaf, have been with the Evangelical Deaf Mission at Luquillo, Puerto Rico. Pete and his wife will be with the mission for the next three years and they have been finding that Puerto Rico is a very warm island with wonderful breezes. Both are teaching the deaf children at a residential school.

A letter from Washington, D. C., revealed that Francis Langlais who had been working with the Denver Post is now with the Washington Post.

Frank Tavello (owner of the North Gate Bowling Lanes) had a car accident a few weeks ago and injured his back.

Kenneth Longmore, Bert Younger and Lynn Ohm went to the mountains for elk

hunting in Kenneth's truck. (He left the camper at home this time.) Kenny had bad luck when his two sleeping bags caught fire. The driver behind noticed the fire and called Kenny to stop. Kenny took the burning sleeping bags out in time, but he burned his hand in doing so. The other things in the truck were saved. This fire was caused by a cigar Kenny threw out the window.

Rea Hinrichs, Eugene Otteson, Robert Hurley and his son and Rea's father went hunting near Meeker on the western slope. Each was lucky in bagging an elk except Eugene.

## Missouri-Kansas . . .

Four new officers have been assigned to duty aboard the Acacia, commanded by Lt. Cdr. C. A. Millrad. CWO Louis J. Weber is first lieutenant. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weber of Olathe.

Mrs. Margaret Weber, 75, passed away on October 3 in St. Mary's Hospital. She was known as "Maggie" to her friends and relatives. She was born in Munjor, Russia, and moved to the United States with her parents when she was two years old. She attended a Catholic school in Wisconsin for a short time. She married Andrew Weber on November 17, 1920, and reared five children. She leaves her husband, Andrew F. Weber; three daughters, Mrs. Maude Nedrow of Kansas City, Kansas, Mrs. Betty Fisher of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Mrs. Dorothy Butler of Mesquite, Texas; two sons, Adolph K. Weber and Vincent J. Weber, both of Kansas City, Kansas; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Bender, Mrs. Rose Estes and Mrs. Agatha Weber, and two brothers, Jake and Karl Gibler of Ellis, Kansas.

Miss Rosalyn Ann Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Williams, of Kansas City, Kansas, became the bride of Mr. Marvin Gene Randall of Olathe on November 4 in the Christ the King Catholic Church in Kansas City, Kansas. Mr. Randall is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Randall of Derby, Kansas. Miss Julianna Field of Los Altos, California, was the maid of honor. Attending as bridesmaids were Miss Karen Walje, Miss Carolyn Morris, Miss Carolyn Teaney and Miss Virginia Honas. Darrell Randall acted as best man for his brother and another brother, Kenneth Randall, served as groomsmen. LeRoy Plywell and Larry Young, both of Wichita, and Billy Hatfield of Kansas City, Missouri, were groomsmen. Rhoda Ann Carr of Tucson, Arizona, was the flower girl and Kenall Milner of Olathe carried the rings. There was a reception at the hall of Knights of Columbus after the wedding. The newlyweds, after a brief honeymoon, are at home in Olathe.

Carolyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Teaney, was capped as a student nurse at the Research Hospital in July, and she has been attending surgery school since November 6.

Raymond Jenkin arrived in Kansas City, Missouri, on October 12 to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Mortensen, Sr. He



is from Christ Church, New Zealand. Upon his arrival in San Francisco in June, he purchased a Lark, and traveled eastward, visiting Las Vegas, Denver, Colorado Springs, Santa Fe and Amarillo and then north to Wichita. He would find work in each town and stay awhile with deaf friends. Each friend would recommend him to spend a few days with different people. In Wichita, the Wilbur Ruges recommended Raymond to the Mortensens in Kansas City. He will continue to travel east for about a year and then return to New Zealand.

Mrs. Annie Levy of Beverly Hills, California, flew to Kansas City to visit her brother Bob Krpan and family for two weeks. She attended the MSD-KSD homecoming football game at Olathe and watched her nephew, Mike Krpan, play for MSD.

Mrs. Florence Wefing had a bad fall in her home and was confined to Osteopathic Hospital. Her condition worsened and she was transferred to Menorah Hospital for surgery on her right lung. She survived the operation but suffered two strokes on her left side. She is now back at Osteopathic Hospital in Room 415.

Clemenz V. Dillenschneider, 71, died October 22 at Baptist Memorial Hospital of an acute heart attack after suffering from asthma one day. Clem was a lifelong resident of Kansas City. He was known as a very good swimmer and diver in the early 1920's, and was selected for the U. S. Olympic swimming team in 1922. His wife, Thelma Decker, of the home survives.

Mrs. Wava Hambel of Arlington, Virginia, spent her two-week vacation in Byers, Colorado, with her son Jon and family. She stopped in Kansas City to visit her sister, Dorothy Hyde, and husband and then went on to Jacksonvill, Illinois, to join her mother and other sister Frances for the ride back to Washington, D. C. The Hydies attended the Frat bowling tournament and dance in Jacksonvill.

Officers for 1968 of St. Francis De Sales Deaf Society: Mrs. Francis Reilly, president; Mrs. Robert Morris, vice president; Miss Georgetta Graybill, reelected secretary; Sylvester Bock, reelected treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Reilly were very glad to see their son Jerry and family of Chicago in November. Jerry is at the naval base.

New officers of K. C. NFSD Div. 31: Charles Green, president; Elmer Bower, vice president; Herbert Teaney, reelected secretary; Maurice Blonsky, reelected treasurer. The Aux. Frat Div. No. 134 has the following new officers: Mrs. Viola Templeton, president; Mrs. William Ragland, vice president; Mrs. Margaret Sherman, secretary; and Miss Dorothy Jeffries, treasurer.

Mrs. Jean Carr and her daughter, Rhoda Ann of Tucson, Arizona, and Mrs. Josie Kiltthau and her two children, Bonnie and Ray, of Denver, came to attend the Randall-Williams wedding on November 4.

The semiannual meeting of the Greater Kansas City Advisory Council for the

Deaf was held on November 11 at Hotel President. A banquet attended by 130 persons preceded the meeting. Cecil Alms was chairman of the event and was ably assisted by Miss Erlene Graybill, Mrs. Jane McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tate and Billy Nedrow.

Miss Dorothy S. Miles of St. Louis, a well-known deaf actress and singing star of "South Pacific," gave an excellent talk on the arts, an expanded language of signs, the National Theatre of the Deaf and related subjects at the Kansas City (Kansas) Deaf Center in October. The Topeka Club of the Deaf "borrowed" the Center for a fund-raising pancake supper. The proceeds went to the 1968 Kansas Association of the Deaf convention.

## Nebraska . . .

The Nebraska Association of the Deaf held its second annual Carnival in October at the Papillion American Legion Hall. Attendance at this event was reduced as a result of the Iowa School for the Deaf homecoming game and a competing party in Council Bluffs the same day and evening. In spite of this, the event showed a satisfactory profit, a large share of the credit for which should go to the ladies who contributed to the bazaar and cake walk. Otto Gross, chairman of the NAD Ways and Means Committee, and his wife Lillian did a good job of organizing the event and had plenty of help from other members.

Miss Dianne C. Spidle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Spidle, and William J. Ivins, son of Major and Mrs. Hobart Ivins, both of Omaha, were united in marriage on October 7. Mrs. Bert Younger (Nee Rolanda Krohn) of Denver, Colorado, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Emory Booth and Mrs. Richard Harrison. Kenneth Meyer was best man. Ushers were Mr. Younger, Mr. Booth and the bridegroom's brothers, Michael and Leonard Ivins.

The many friends of Patricia Ann (Fletcher) Boese were saddened by her death at the age of 33 on October 17, at her home in Lincoln, after a long illness. Pat was a 1956 graduate of the Nebraska School for the Deaf and was a member of the Nebraska Association of the Deaf, the Lincoln Silent Club, the Omaha Club of the Deaf and the Hope Lutheran Church for the Deaf. She also took an active interest in bowling and other events of the deaf.

Mrs. Boese was one of the five finalists in the beauty contest at the International Games of the Deaf in Washington, D. C., in 1965, having been selected to represent the Midwest Athletic Association of the Deaf. Mrs. Boese is survived by her husband, Delbert; daughter, Debra; mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Blausner; a brother and a sister.

Albert R. Benedict of Lincoln, father of Frank Benedict of Cincinnati, Ohio, was taken by death October 29 at the age of 73.

Ella M. Anderson of Omaha died at the age of 61 on November 16. She is survived by her husband, Raymond D.,

Sr.; four sons, Dwight H., Raymond D., Jr., Robert L. and Warren D.

Sharon L. (Dawkins) Hale, was taken by death November 7. She is survived by her husband, James; son James Dean; daughter Connie Marie; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert E. Dawkins; four sisters, among them Mrs. Judy Cahill of Omaha.

Paul Kuster, son of Bernice Kuster of Lincoln, was in a bad automobile accident during November when another driver ran a red light and hit his pickup truck broadside. Considerable damage to his truck was the result, but we are glad to say that Paul was not too seriously hurt.

Stacia Cody wants all of her friends to know that she has moved and that her new address is 9618 Pacific Avenue, Apt. 3, Tacoma, Washington 98444.

Officers elected at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Omaha for 1968: Elvin Miller, president; Emil Schultz, vice president; Earl Petersen, secretary; Nick Petersen, treasurer; Ray Burgess, Jr., elder; Dale Paden and Keith Stinger, auditors; Jack Stafford, Edward Engel and Dale Paden, trustees.

Newly elected officers of the Ladies Guild of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church: Mrs. Dorothy Winters, president; Mrs. Ruth Degenhardt, vice president; Mrs. Catherine Petersen, secretary; Mrs. Dora Miller, treasurer; Mrs. Florence Petersen, social chairman; Mrs. Beth Maier, buyer; Miss Janis Olson, Mrs. Elsa Philips and Mrs. Arlene Meyer, Altar Committee; Mrs. Evelyn Dobson and Mrs. Hladik, Calling Committee; Mrs. Frances Burgess and Mrs. Mary Lou Johnson, auditors; Mrs. France Burgess, LWML representative.

Everett and Dot Winters are the proud grandparents of a baby boy, Leon Ray, born to their son Rolla and his wife Linda on July 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hladik of Omaha have purchased a house in Benson close to the business district.

A number of deaf have been on the hospital list lately. We wish a speedy recovery to Margaret Petersen of Gretna; Mrs. James Jelinek, Mrs. Frances Burgess, Mrs. Marjorie Bailey and Mrs. Audrey Rewolinski, all of Omaha, and Mrs. Rudy Chermok of Lincoln. Kenneth Matthews of Omaha has been ill for a long time and a reception was held in his honor on November 26 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the gifts of money to help him with his medical bills.

## New York . . .

Max Lubin's death in November was mourned by his survivors, his friends and members of Temple Beth Or. May the memory of Max, a man of modesty, humility and dignity, live forever.

A presentation was made under the sponsorship of the Union League December 19 at Washington Irving High School. Thespians from the National Theatre of the Deaf were a successful box office attraction, among them Bernard Bragg, June Russi, Gilbert Eastman, Howard Palmer, Andrew Vasnick and Violet

Armstrong. Some 900 attended.

That same evening an elegant Bar Mitzvah dinner was given by Eva Wiener for her son Joel at the Hotel Croydon with some 60 guests in attendance.

New Yorkers fleeing from the wintry blasts to the sunny climes of Florida include Mr. and Mrs. Henry Florsheim and children, Mrs. Belle Peters, Mrs. Minnie Zeiss, Mrs. Fannie Lovett and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Eber. They all went down to Miami Beach.

Ben Friedwald was away for some weeks visiting in Chicago with the Frank Sullivans, on to Nebraska and Salt Lake City and ending up in Denver and Colorado Springs. Ben wrote the folks back home how much he enjoyed the snow and the clean air of the West.

An item in the New York Post not long ago told of the probability of installing TV phones in American homes by mid-1970. Have the deaf ever really thought how much such a phone would affect us? We'd most likely spend every free moment glued to the phone talking to our deaf friends.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Calpin of Staten Island in mid-October. Baby has been named Kenneth.

Stanley Benowitz and Carlton Strail of the New York State Commission for the Deaf were warmly welcomed October 30. The two found time to meet with some of us socially that weekend before taking in the business meetings.

The fifth annual luncheon and fashion show held at the Hotel Americana November 25 sponsored by the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or of the Deaf turned out, as always, to be a lovely affair, an extremely well-attended event and a financial success. Well over 500 were present to enjoy the food plus the fashion show by B. Altman. All due credit is extended to Esther Benenson and members of her hardworking committee.

A beautifully planned Bar-Mitzvah, a special confirmation ceremony for Jewish boys when they reach their 13th birthdays, was celebrated for Jeffrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lewis, on December 3 at Ft. Tryon Congregation. Rabbi Hoffman of Temple Beth Or officiated. The ceremony was followed by a reception for 100 guests.

## Tennessee . . .

Two California natives gave births in their adopted state of Tennessee within a month. They are the former Wanda Aldridge and Ruthalee Ward, wives of David Booker and Stanley Dziurzynski of Knoxville, respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. Booker became the parents of their 9 lb. 3 oz. first child, Anna Dawn, born on December 18. Shortly before the birth Wanda disguised herself in the attire of Santa Claus and made presentations of exchange gifts to members of the Knoxville Athletic Association of the Deaf at its party.

Mr. and Mrs. Dziurzynski welcomed a 7 lb. 12½ oz. fourth child (second son), Donald Louis, on January 5. Ruthalee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ward of Cali-

fornia, motored to Knoxville in a hurry, beating the stork.

Four cities in Tennessee celebrated with New Year's parties: Memphis Chapter of the Tennessee Association of the Deaf at Hotel Claridge, Chattanooga Chapter of the TAD, Nashville Div. No. 12, NFSD, Knoxville Athletic Association of the Deaf at Hotel Andrew Johnson and Memphis Divs. No. 38 and No. 146, NFSD, on January 6, instead of the 30th or 31st.

Mrs. Byron Boyd of Chattanooga underwent a successful operation for the removal of tumor last December.

Brooks Monaghan of Memphis, southern NFSD vice president, was guest speaker at Atlanta's anniversary NFSD banquet last fall.

On a journey to a few schools for the deaf in the South, Mark Corson, president of Student Body Government at Gallaudet College, aided by three Gallaudet students, gave an excellent Gallaudet Day program at the Tennessee School one day after December 10 (Gallaudet Day).

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Tillman of Knoxville had a surprise visitor for a week, their son Billy who is stationed at a Texas Air Force base.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stakley of Knoxville visited their son-in-law, daughter and two grandsons, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holcomb, Sammy and Tommy, in Indianapolis during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mrs. Marion Green of Nashville and Knoxville spent a part of her Christmas vacation with her daughter and son-in-law and their family in Columbus, Ohio. Later her son Ralph joined her at her home in Nashville on leave before she returned to Knoxville.

Amidst its fall term examination week ending with the closing of school for the Christmas vacation, the Tennessee School was hit hard by a flu and lung virus epidemic. After the holidays the school was managing to maintain its normalcy in spite of the absence of a large number of pupils and teachers not returning from their vacations due to illness.

The school was saddened by the sudden Christmas Day death of a 13-year-old pupil, Kathy Owenby, caused by cerebrospinal meningitis. She had gone home in high spirits for the holidays.

On February 10, the Knoxville Chapter of Gallaudet College Alumni Association will celebrate the February 5 birthday of Edward Miner Gallaudet with a commemorative banquet at the Senators Club beyond the city limits on Alcoa Highway U.S. 129. A distinguished guest speaker for the event will be Dr. Robert Frisina, head of the National Technical Institute of the Deaf. The banquet is open to all friends of the deaf.

The annual basketball tournament of Southeastern Athletic Association of the Deaf will be held on February 29, March 1 and 2 in Nashville. Headquarters will be Motel Albert Pick and the tournament site will be the gym of Tennessee Preparatory School not far from the motel.

Sam McPherson, a Knoxville News-Sentinel linotype operator, was laid low by double hernia surgery in late December. He is recuperating at his home.

Robert Reeser, a retired carpenter, suffered a stroke on January 3.

A fund drive has been started with the support of several organizations of the deaf to raise \$5,500 or more to erect a "Light" statue on the school grounds of TSD like those in Hartford and Fulton. On the committee are Uriel C. Jones, chairman; Robert Lawson, treasurer; Miss Janice Couch, David Booker and Robert W. Lange.

The Robert W. Langes were guests of the Robert Stanleys in Jacksonville, Florida, during the holidays. Mr. Lange and daughter Wendy joined a group of friends at the Gator Bowl game.

## Texas . . .

Howard Pace of Austin went up to New York City to enroll his six-year-old son Waltham in the New York School for the Deaf and while there visited Mr. and Mrs. Steven Chough.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fraser of Colorado were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stack. Meanwhile the Stacks are busy spoiling Thelma's two grandsons since her daughter Martha has moved to Austin from California. Thelma's mother from Arkansas is also visiting with them.

Mrs. Otho Penix of Amarillo had her picture in the papers not so long ago. Mrs. Penix is an outstanding worker, a snap and rivet operator, for the Levi Strauss and Company's distribution center. Picture was published in connection with the National Employ the Handicapped Week.

A surprise housewarming was given Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morris in their new home with the fun and festivity planned by Mrs. Dewanna Lane, Mrs. Brenda Oates, Mrs. Shirley Thompson, Mrs. Thelma Stack and Miss Kathryn Caldcleugh.

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wilson was the occasion for a gala open house given by the couple's children, all seven of them. The Wilsons have lived in Galveston all these past 50 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holloway of Navasota were visitors to Austin during the autumn as were Mrs. Joe Floerke and Mrs. Hoyett Barnett of Corpus Christi.

Thelma Stack was the delighted recipient of many lovely gifts when Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hensley of Austin invited folks in for a surprise birthday party in Thelma's honor November 5.

Ralph White is back in Austin after touring with the National Theatre of the Deaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Buza of Houston became parents of twins, a boy and a girl, September 5. Baby girl is named Sherry Lynn and baby boy, Terry Martin.

Mrs. Claudia Fulkerson of Dallas died of a blood clot in a hospital there September 16 and George Hammontree passed away in a Fort Worth hospital September 25 following a prolonged illness.

Harvey Welch is glad to be back in Dallas where he owns a drycleaning and pressing shop. The Welchs had lived in LaPuente, California, for several years.

Jackie Clifton has transferred from the



Internal Revenue Service in Austin to another government agency in Washington, D. C.

On the sick list recently were Mrs. Leon Beck of San Antonio, Miss Claire Crockett of Austin and Mrs. Mary Rath.

**Births:** A girl, Lori Belinda, to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hill in November. Mrs. Hill is staying at Round Rock while Bert studies at Gallaudet. Lori is their first child. A boy, born October 27 to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Baudoin (Margaret Menard) of Abbeville, Louisiana. The boy is named Michael John, Jr.

**Weddings:** Lula Sullivan of Mobile, Alabama, was married to Xavier Montalvo of San Antonio on October 21 in Mobile. Jane Livingston of Austin was married to Thomas Fischer on November 18 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Austin. They reside in Austin.

**Deaths:** Whitt Jennings, 89, of Waco died October 22 in a hospital. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, one son and seven grandchildren.

**Visitors:** Miss Audine Smith of Champaign, Illinois, came to Austin on November 26 to visit. She formerly lived in Denton. Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Zolnick (Lelia Westbrook) of Santa Ana, California, visited the Austin Club on November 25. She came to Texas to visit friends, relatives and a brother whom she had not seen in 25 years. Mrs. Lozell Weaver Bardfeld of Reno, Nevada, was in Austin on November 15 visiting friends and her old alma mater. She was last here in 1931. She works for Lynch Communication Systems in Reno and has three sons and three daughters, ages 14-22.

**Parties:** A baby shower was given in Mrs. Bert Hill's honor on November 10, at the home of Mrs. Larry Evans. Hostesses were Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Shirley Thompson, Mrs. Sally Porter and Mrs. Dewanna Lane. A bridal shower was given November 26 in honor of Miss Cherie Dooley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dooley of Austin. The party was given at the home of the hostess, Mrs. Don Williams of Austin. Les Sourdes Club gave its annual Christmas party for state hospital patients on December 14 and its own party the 16th.

**Praised by employers:** Franklin Tippet of Port Arthur, a 15-year employe of Standard Brass, did so well as a machinist that he had his picture in the local paper. Mr. Tippet is also president of the South Texas Regional Association of the Deaf and business manager of the Beaumont Club of the Deaf. Also praised were Ronnie Frazier, a lathe operator, and Clifford Menard, a drill press operator, both three-year employes of Standard Brass. Miss Eloise Markwith was among seven Beaumont post office employes to receive certificates and \$250 cash awards plus her picture in the local paper.

**Texas Association of the Deaf News:** The board has established an investment committee to invest idle funds. Authority was given to establish an educational fund. It is hoped to launch a drive for donations to the educational fund. Then, when enough money piles up, it can be put

into a trust fund managed by a Federal bank. The interest would be used for educational purposes.

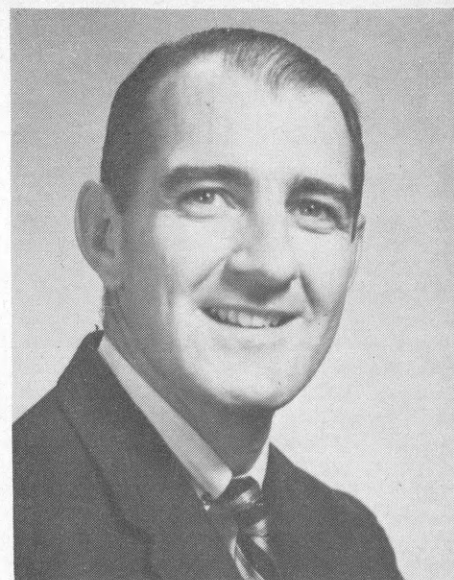
The TAD is studying homes for the aged deaf, also, with hopes that something can be reported to the members soon. Currently the TAD is very busy preparing a report for the VRA which is due in January. The VRA has asked the TAD for the first time in history what kind of services the deaf really want and need. It is proving to be a challenging assignment.



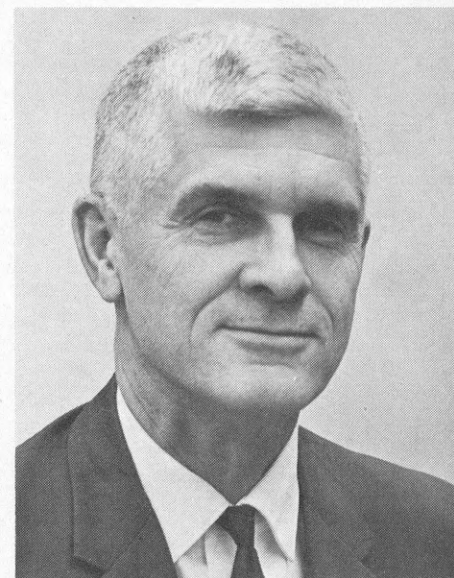
**DOUGLAS BURKE**, national chairman and founder of the NAD Cultural Program, has worked three years with his national committeemen to build the present framework of the program. A graduate of Gallaudet (1955) and the San Fernando Valley College Leadership Training Program (1965), he is supervisor, Unit for the Communication Impaired, District of Columbia Department of Vocational Rehabilitation. Active in the DCAD, DCCD, Lion's, NAD and numerous other groups, his experience in community organization, drama and literary activities makes him well-qualified to head this pioneering NAD program for the cultural advancement of the deaf.



**JOHN SCHROEDEL** is publicity coordinator for the NAD cultural program and serves on its national committee. Editor of *CULTURAMA*, he is also editor of the *CCAA NEWSLETTER*, and is former associate editor of the latter. He also was editor of *THE BUFF AND BLUE*, student newspaper at Gallaudet. He is on the research utilization staff of the Office of Research and Demonstrations of the Social and Rehabilitation Service which has as one of its affiliates the Rehabilitation Services Administration, formerly known as the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration. A part-time student at Gallaudet, he will graduate with a B.A. in sociology in June.



**ROBERT F. PANARA** is chairman of the literary section of the NAD Cultural Program. A long-time member of the National Cultural Committee, the former associate professor of English at Gallaudet is now on the administrative staff of the National Technical Institute for the Deaf in Rochester. A noted poet, writer and editor, he has also translated play scripts into the language of signs and is on the faculty of the National Theatre of the Deaf. A 1945 graduate of Gallaudet, Bob earned his M.A. in English from New York University and is a candidate for a Ph.D. in the same field from Catholic University in Washington, D.C.



**FRANCIS HIGGINS** is a member of the National Cultural Committee and specifically responsible for leading the spiritual areas of the cultural program. Associate professor of chemistry at Gallaudet, he graduated from there in 1936. He has 29 years of experience in teaching the deaf and is especially noted for his leadership in deaf church groups in the Washington, D.C. area. He has been general chairman for two alumni reunions of the GCAA.

For the time being, *CULTURAMA*, newsletter of the NAD's National Cultural Committee, is being suspended in favor of monthly reports in the columns of *THE DEAF AMERICAN*. Next month additional biographical sketches and pictures of regional, state and local cultural directors will be run.



# Three States Launch Local Cultural Tournaments

By JOHN SCHROEDEL

Important local tournaments are scheduled during January by at least three member state associations of the National Association of the Deaf—Wisconsin, New York and Missouri—in the first round of the 1968 NAD national cultural program.

Deaf contestants are entering into 16 areas of competition in four cities in these three states. These local tournaments are the beginning of a series of state and regional playoffs that will determine entries into a final tournament to crown national champions at the NAD convention at Las Vegas during June.

Up in Wisconsin the Milwaukee Silent Club held a Hobby and Talent Show on Friday, January 12, and the Delavan Association of the Deaf followed suit on January 13. The event in Milwaukee was a catchall evening of contests in cultural areas ranging from photography and checkers through dressmaking and short story telling.

Evelyn Zola, local cultural director for Milwaukee, reports, "I posted a large bulletin and to my surprise it is the talk of the clubroom. The members are buzzing about it, expressing their interest to try their talents and compete for awards." The show's organizers also mimeographed and printed flyers for circulation and published articles about the cultural program in the area's newspapers for the deaf.

The next week New York City conducted its own local tourney at the McBurney YMCA on January 20. General chairman was Jim Stern, city cultural director, assisted by Samuel Lewis, vice chairman; Albert Hlibok, arrangements; and Lily Berke, judges; plus Vincent Byrnes, treasurer; and Richard Myers, responsible for publicity.

Also in New York City, New York University's Center for Deafness Research and Rehabilitation, under the guidance of Dr. Edna Levine and her assistant, Allen Sussman, has set up a Cultural Committee of Community Volunteers. Ruth Sturm, New York state cultural director, is chairman of this group, which is composed of David Bloch, a commercial artist, Edward Cruickshank, a neckwear designer, and David Leigh, an industrial package designer. The committee's first project will be a survey of Metropolitan New York's artists, craftsmen and art patrons.

Elsewhere on the cultural scene a talent contest and exhibition will take place at the Community Center for the Deaf in St. Louis on January 26-27. The event is sponsored by the St. Louis chapter of the Missouri Association of the Deaf and was organized in part by Dorothy Miles, local cultural director. Along with the competition and judging in the cultural contests during this two-day event will be the showing of displays to inform hearing visitors about the activities of local and national organizations serving the



This is one of the gold trophies to be awarded national champions at the NAD convention in Las Vegas in June.

deaf. Publicity was arranged by the St. Louis Hearing and Speech Center.

The development and organization of these pioneering community efforts in these four cities as a part of the NAD cultural program was at least partially due to having close working relations between a state association and its member local clubs. In New York most all of the seven local cultural directors are also directors of the Empire State Association of the Deaf. In various other states, the Cooperating Member associations have been active in the process of selecting state cultural directors to foster close lines of communication right from the start.

In Wisconsin local cultural directors are either officers of the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf or else delegates to its semiannual Round Table Conference. At such a conference held October 7 in Racine, Len Peacock, state cultural director, met with representatives from local communities throughout the state to lay the groundwork for the state cultural program. The Wisconsin state cultural tournament is slated for March 9 at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf in Delavan. There local winners from Milwaukee, Delavan and other cities will convene to vie for statewide championships in the

various competitive areas of cultural talent.

New York City, Milwaukee, Delavan and St. Louis thus are the leadoff communities in the NAD cultural program. It is these local tournaments and others like them that are the most important phase of the cultural program, for it is at the community level where the greatest potential exists for encouraging the greatest number of deaf persons to participate in cultural activity. Other towns will be sending in cultural news and tournament results which will be published in future issues of THE DEAF AMERICAN. The grand ending to this 1968 NAD cultural program will, of course, be the Cultural Awards Night, Thursday, June 20, at the NAD convention in Las Vegas. Some of the national champions to be named then may very well be deaf persons who have already entered local tournaments in the first four cities currently reporting.

## Trophies Announced for National Cultural Finalists

In order to give fitting recognition to finalists in the NAD cultural program, distinctive gold trophies will be awarded to national champions, with runnersup winning silver medallions and third place finishers receiving bronze medallions. These awards will be presented at the Cultural Night during the NAD convention in Las Vegas.

The gold trophies are 10-inch high figures with a Greek wreath on the head and "My Victory" in signs on the chest. From the feet an ivy-like plant sprouts upward and branches out to symbolize the five levels of the NAD cultural program: club, city, state, region and nation. Beneath this is a circular plate upon which will be attached a medal illustrating one of the 16 areas of cultural competition for each respective winner. Winners in each area of talent will have a different medallion attached to their trophy. On the walnut base of each trophy will be a plate showing the NAD emblem along with the name and other information about each individual national champion.

The silver medallions for second place will be two inches in diameter, while the bronze medallions for third place will be slightly larger than one inch in diameter. All medallions will have colorful ribbon neckbands and each will come complete with its own case. Engraved on each medallion will be the symbol for the area of talent won by respective runnersup.

The trophy details were decided upon by the National Cultural Committee on a design submitted by Jack Wright, Hyattsville, Maryland. Simon Carmel, also of Maryland, did much of the legwork between the committee and the trophy firm in Baltimore.



## PEOPLE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS

Each of the following persons on the National Cultural Committee is available to answer your questions about their specific areas of responsibility in the NAD cultural program.

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3. For information on chess, checkers or bridge:

David Neill  
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A special national competition for newspapers of the deaf is being sponsored as a part of the NAD cultural program. Trophies and medallions will be awarded at the NAD convention in June for the top newspapers entered into this tournament. Recognition thus will be given to outstanding newspapers serving the deaf.

Eligible are newspapers from local clubs of the deaf, state associations, church groups and similar organizations. It is important to note that publications from the residential schools for the deaf are **not** eligible for this particular competition under the auspices of the NAD cultural program, but instead will be judged by a separate committee under the direc-

tion of George Propp, NAD publicity chairman.

In the cultural program competition newspapers will be surveyed by a panel of well-qualified judges measuring entries in accord with a rating scale covering such criteria as style, layout, editorials and classes of news coverage.

Interested editors of eligible papers are encouraged to contact Douglas Burke, NAD cultural chairman, who is also handling this section of the cultural program. He will be happy to send you further information. His current address is 510 Hillsboro Drive, Wheaton, Maryland 20902.

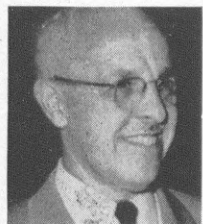
## QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

on

## Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel

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"If you wish success in life, make perseverance your bosom friend, experience your wise counselor, caution your elder brother, and hope your guardian genius."  
—Joseph Addison

### Questions

Q. 1. How can I take up again a motion that was hastily acted upon last month since a motion to reconsider cannot be made after adjournment?—ACG

Q. 2. May an appeal from the decision of the Chair be laid on the table?

Q. 3. A resolution was adopted at a regular meeting. It embodies a project to be promoted by the board of directors which did not approve the idea and therefore neglected it. Is the order of the club still in force?

Q. 4. What does a "plurality" mean?

Q. 5. May funds be disbursed without legal authority?—Club member.

Q. 6. May a member move that a ques-

tion be approved without debate?

Q. 7. Should a secretary read the proposed amendments to the constitution and bylaws?

Q. 8. Has the chairman of a committee any right to require a treasurer to pay her for any time she may have lost from work?—Club member.

Q. 9. Must the same member who moved to lay a motion on the table move to take it from the table?

Q. 10. Supposing there is a tie vote, is the Chair compelled to vote?

Q. 11. Suppose a motion to adopt a resolution was passed **without** having been seconded. Would such a motion be binding (legally enforceable)?

Q. 12. What should a member say if he wants to call an adjourned meeting (a continuation of the same meeting) to dispose of unfinished business?

Q. 13. Should a president welcome an appeal from the decision of the Chair?

Some presidents resent this procedure.

Q. 14. Suppose the Chair says, "Your point of order is not well taken." What should you do?

Q. 15. Must the presiding officer leave the chair to speak on an appeal?

Q. 16. Has the Chair a right to demand a **full** vote?

Q. 17. May a member debate twice on the same question?

Q. 18. Supposing a motion requires a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote for its adoption, does it also require a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote to reconsider it?

### Answers

A. 1. Move to substitute another motion, a thing which requires only a majority vote, but it must be in the same spirit as the old motion. Or you may move to rescind (kill) the old motion which action requires a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote if no notice is given. After it is rescinded, make a new motion as if the one previously had never been submitted.

A. 2. Yes. It can be laid on the table so that a more urgent matter can be taken up by the assembly **first**, after which the appeal can be taken from the table and acted upon.

A. 3. Still in force. The board is absolutely wrong unless the club desires to rescind the order. Remember, the board is **under** the authority of the club. It must carry out the order whether or not the members of the board may like the project.

A. 4. It means that a candidate for an office has more votes than any other contestants for the same office. A plurality to elect is popular among many leading organizations, but it must be authorized by the bylaws.

A. 5. No. Never. Such matters **must** be brought before the group at a business meeting. If funds are disbursed without legal authority those responsible run the risk of having to **pay** the bill. Remember, the organization is under **no** obligation to approve it. However, officers are sometimes obliged to exceed their authority and expect their action to be ratified (legalized) by the organization. Only a **great** emergency justifies such course of action.

A. 6. Yes. It is called a multiple motion—first to close debate and then to approve—but it requires a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote as it suspends the right of the members to debate. However, it must be divided on the demand of any member.

A. 7. It is customary for the chairman or another member of the rules committee, commonly called the bylaws committee, to read the proposed amendments.

A. 8. No. The treasurer is **not** permitted to pay any bills without the authorization of the club.

A. 9. No. Any member may do this. It is undebatable and requires a majority vote.

A. 10. No. The president is not compelled to vote but may do so if he wishes.

A. 11. Yes. If the motion to adopt was a recommendation of a committee, no second was needed. If the motion to adopt was made from the floor and was voted on without an objection being raised



(point of order) promptly **after** the motion was stated by the Chair, then it is too late to raise effectively the technical objection. It is a waste of time to insist on a second when it is obvious that there is general support.

A. 12. Say, "Mr. President (or Chairman), I move that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet here (any place) next Wednesday evening (any day) at 8 o'clock (any time)." When the motion is seconded, the Chair puts it to a vote without debate, thus: "It is moved and seconded that we adjourn to meet here next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Those in favor raise their hands. Those opposed raise their hands. The affirmative has it, and the motion to meet here next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock." Or "The negative has it; the motion to meet here Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock is lost." The Chair then declares the meeting adjourned. He says, "The meeting stands adjourned and the unfinished business will be taken up under the order of unfinished business at the next regular meeting."

A. 13. Yes. The president should **always** welcome an appeal. It is as beneficial to the president, or chairman, as it is to the members. It gives the Chair the opportunity to explain the decision and to shift the responsibility of decision to the voting members.

A. 14. Appeal from the decision of the Chair. The Chair will then ask, "For what do you appeal?" For the mover: "Your decision is not in accordance with the rules of speaking, therefore the speaker on the platform is out of order." After the appeal is seconded, the Chair is obliged to explain the reason for his ruling. It is undebatable. He will say, "Shall the decision stand as the judgment of the assembly?" Vote on the **decision** not the appeal. If carried by a majority vote, his decision sustains (remains). But if lost, the decision is overruled. The Chair must then order the speaker to be seated.

A. 15. No, but should stand while speaking.

A. 16. No, not even though only **one** vote is cast. One for and none against means that a motion is carried, as it is a majority. But the Chair must always state a question (motion) **clearly** before putting to vote.

A. 17. No. Not until everyone else has had his chance. If no one else cares to claim the floor, he may again debate but no more than twice without the consent of the assembly.

A. 18. No, it requires a majority vote.

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#### To officers of organizations:

For your information, get a book on "Modernized Methods Pertaining to Minutes," Mr. Robert W. English, 4453 Beacon Street, Chicago, Illinois 60640. Price 25c. Also a good book is "The New Primer in Parliamentary Procedure" by Marie H. Suthers, The Dartnell Corporation, 4660 Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60640. Price \$3.00.

## CHAFF From the Threshing Floor

By George Propp

**Literature of the Deaf:** Two recent book releases have considerably enriched the literature of the deaf. The first, **Deaf Persons in Professional Employment**, is a 208-page volume authored by Alan B. Crammatte of Gallaudet College. Directed at rehabilitation counselors, the book reports on-the-job experience of 87 profoundly deaf people successfully employed in professional positions that required extensive communication with hearing co-workers. . . . **A Handbook of Readings in Education of the Deaf and Postschool Implications**, edited by Irving S. Fusfeld, is a collection of papers and articles from more than 75 contributors. The volume totals 362 pages and touches upon most of the general and specific problems of deafness. . . . Both books are published by Charles C. Thomas, Springfield, Illinois. The Crammatte book sells for \$12.75.

Dr. James J. Gallagher, formerly associate director of the Institute for Research on Exceptional Children, University of Illinois, is now an associate commissioner of the United States Office of Education and head of the new Bureau of the Handicapped. In what amounts to a major reorganization of HEW, all educational services for the deaf will be under the supervision of Dr. Gallagher's office.

**Clarke School for the Deaf** in Northampton, Massachusetts, recently launched a Second Century Fund and will seek a total of three and one-half million dollars over the next 10 years to meet the basic needs of the school. The fund is earmarked for both expansion of physical plant and broader service.

Gallaudet College, in cooperation with the District of Columbia Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, is offering a five-week short course in training deaf to pass the Federal Services Post Office Clerk and Carrier Examination. There were 22 participants in the initial program, which was climaxed on December 7 with a special exam. On the basis of scores in this exam, deaf trainees will be eligible for positions in the postal service.

The "**Homecoming Football Game**" remains one of the outstanding social institutions in our deaf society. For both students and alumni, the annual homecoming is one of the year's outstanding events. As an example, the American School for the Deaf and the West Virginia School played before 800 fans.

With the kids at home for the Christmas holidays we are able to appreciate this quote lifted from Carl F. Smith's column in the **North Dakota Banner**:

"It used to be that papa dealt out a stern code of discipline to junior. Then the safety razor took away his razor strop, furnaces took away the woodshed and baldness took away his hairbrush. That's why kids are running wild today. Dad ran out of weapons."

From the **Beauty World** via the Georgia School **Helper** comes word of new vocational opportunities for the deaf. The Hagerstown (Maryland) Beauty Academy is offering a special course for deaf students in servicing wigs and hair pieces. The academy's regular staff has been providing instruction with the aid of an interpreter from the Maryland School for the Deaf.

From the Louisiana **Pelican** we learn that Claude S. Gulbranson, the newly appointed principal, will continue the Rochester method of education at LSSD. We assume that Ed Scouten, who set up the Rochester methodology at Louisiana, will do the same at Florida. The Louisiana State Board of Education, incidentally, has approved plans to establish a full high school program at LSSD which will enable deaf students to obtain a regular high school diploma.

**Bricks and Mortar:** Sixteen classrooms and supporting facilities of the new Alexander Graham Bell School in Cleveland, Ohio, were occupied after the Thanksgiving holidays. The new facility consolidates classes from four other schools, and it will include students from preschool through junior high. . . . A new dormitory for boys was nearing completion at Christmas at the Minnesota School for the Deaf. . . . A new girls dormitory with dining facilities has been completed at the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind. . . . The center tower of the old main building at the Maryland School for the Deaf was felled by wrecking crews in September. The tower was a landmark in Frederick for nearly 100 years.

**Ends and Pieces:** The Queen of Nepal was a visitor at Gallaudet College on November 2. . . . The Ohio School for the Deaf has added AutoSetter equipment to the school printing shop, and the **Chronicle** is coming out with a new typeface. Other schools have also been adding equipment of this type to provide student printers with updated skills. . . . The St. Johns School in Milwaukee has been collecting green stamps in order to obtain a needed station wagon. They are making rapid progress toward their goal of 1,800,000 stamps. . . . The 1969 convention of the American Instructors of the Deaf will be held in Berkeley. . . . One of the new staff members of the Nebraska School for the Deaf is a police dog. A change in the conditions of the neighborhood has brought about a need for greater security measures at NSD.

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OK, so you insist on knowing what sport we enjoy the most. It's something we're asked again and again. The answer is FOOTBALL. If there is any game we love, this is it. To us, it's military science transferred to the field of sports.

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In sports, Cinderella, in fact, has hung on so well she's just about worn out.

Nonetheless, another one is currently among us—the eight-man football Tigers of the Nebraska School for the Deaf at Omaha.

The week-by-week development of Coach Jack Gannon's glass-slipped warrior as they rose from countless disappointing seasons to production of an undefeated season in eight games cap-

tured us. There have been only two other unbeaten teams at NSD since the school initiated the sport around 1910. The 1948 and 1950 six-man squads coached by AAAD Hall of Famer Nick Petersen were both undefeated. Both had clean 5-0-0 slates. Petersen's 1929 eleven-man team was undefeated in Nebraska play but dropped three out-of-the-state contests. The school changed to the eight-man sport in 1960. Incidentally the 1967 "won 'em all" team holds the longest winning string in the school's history, adding last year's three wins. NSD last year was 6-2-0.

The comments expressed here cannot begin to express our high regard for the football prowess of Ken Eurek, who guided NSD to an undefeated season. Every plaudit and accolade heaped on Ken couldn't go to a more deserving boy. Against all teams he played, Ken was the target of all defensive maneuvers and a most feared adversary, both because of his fantastic running and passing abilities. In every game, he made a shambles of the other team's defenses, even with constant pressure against him. His sportsmanship and sense of fair play on the field are a tribute to him and his fine coaching. And according to Bruce McCoy, football coach of Omaha Brownell-Talbot High School, "Ken is as close to

This is KEN EUREK . . . a great all-around football performer for the Nebraska School for the Deaf. It is inconceivable that anyone could be more valuable to a team than Eurek is to NSD. He can beat you every way. He quarterbacked NSD to a fabulous UNDEFEATED season in eight games.

being a one man team as I have witnessed and is certainly the finest small school performer I have seen in action."

A 6-foot, 170-pound offense-defense worker, Eurek scored 24 touchdowns and six extra points for 150 of NSD's 305 points, and was the Omaha-area high school scoring champion (both 8-man and 11-man). He also passed for 13 touchdowns . . . ran and passed his way to 19 hundred 35 yards . . . averaging 242 yards a game. He made the Eight-Man All-State Team for the second straight year. Coach Jack Gannon commented that "He's a good man to have around"\*\*\*

As replayed from the clippings of the Omaha World-Herald sent us by Jack Gannon, the weekly clippings tell a story as to why Ken Eurek is a handy guy to have around.

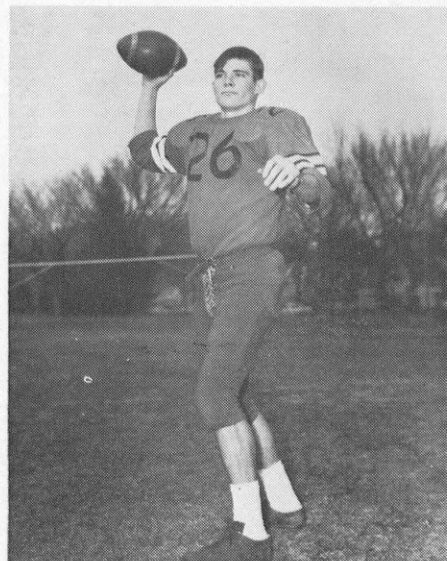
Such as:

## Win No. 1

Ken Eurek scored 3 touchdowns and passed for another to lead NSD to a home-field 39-7 victory over Murdock High School. He scored on a 57-yard pass from sore-armed Cliff Hultgren, a one-yard plunge and a 25-yard pass interception. He fired a scoring bomb to his favorite receiver, End Doug Schnoor, from 35 yards and also scored an extra point. Pint-sized Greg Schnoor dropkicked successfully the first two times up. His third dropkick was blocked, and when NSD scored its fourth TD instead of dropkicking for the point after this TD, Greg was ordered to trick the opponents by airing the ball to Ken Eurek in the corner of the end zone.

## Win No. 2

Doug Schnoor, junior end, was sidelined with a bruised shoulder, but the NSD Tigers as usual leaned heavily on the offensive attack of Quarterback Ken Eurek. Incidentally Ken had the best one-game performance of his brilliant grid career by scoring 7 touchdowns and passed for another as NSD romped to a 67-13 win over Fort Calhoun High School. The Tiger clan had waited a long time for this victory which put an end to Fort Calhoun's four consecutive years of football domination. This contest was played at Fort Calhoun. Ken tallied on runs of one, one, three and 18 yards, on pass interceptions of





18 and 38 yards and one a 75-yard punt return, and tossed a 30-yard touchdown pass to Terry Heidecker. Pee Wee Greg Schnoor toed seven of 10 dropkicks. **For his great one-man show Ken Eurek was named by the Omaha World Herald as the Back of the Week (both 8-man and 11-man).**

#### Win No. 3

Ken Eurek put on quite a show as NSD defeated West Kearney High School at the latter's field, 25-20. Ken scored on touchdown runs of 65, 60 and 4 yards and hurled an 18-yard TD pass to Terry Heidecker. Possibly more important, Eurek made his thirteenth tackle at the one-yard line on the game-ending play to thwart a West Kearney touchdown. Greg Schnoor kicked one more extra point. **(West Kearney plays both 11 and eight-man ball.)**

#### Win No. 4

Ken Eurek rallied NSD for two touchdowns in the fourth quarter and the host club edged Omaha Brownell-Talbert High School, 39-34. This was played on a rain-drenched field and found players of both teams splashed with mud in a see-saw battle of football. Eurek, who scored four touchdowns and passed for the fifth, totaled 86 ground yards on 16 carries.

In the third quarter NSD pulled within two points, 26-28 when Ken Eurek's 70-yard pass to Doug Schnoor from punt formation on fourth-and-eight caught B-T by surprise. Shortly after the fourth period, Mark Washington struck again. His fourth tally padded the B-T Raiders' margin by eight points. And NSD was two touchdowns behind with less than three minutes remaining. Determined as ever, Ken sparkplugged a quick move by heaving a 40-yard toss to Doug Schnoor. Moments later NSD had pulled within 33-34 when Eurek plunged a yard for a TD in the end zone. Then NSD recovered an onside kick on its 33-yard line. Ken immediately attempted to hurl a long bomb but the receivers were all well-covered, so he decided to run it and unbelievably skirted the opponents with his graceful running. Run, Run, Run . . . Touchdown! Ken clutched the decisive touchdown and the fingernail-bitten crowd roared with joy. Greg Schnoor added two more drop kicks.

#### Win No. 5

Undefeated NSD rode the passing arm of Ken Eurek to a 39-32 victory over Malcolm High School at Tigers' field. Instead of a running attack, Ken completed 13 of 20 passes for 307 yards and four touchdowns. He flipped TD passes of 34 and 61 yards to Robert Schwisow and found Doug Schnoor on scoring tosses of 13 and 44 yards. Schnoor also romped 75 yards on a kickoff return.

Erasing a 20-point deficit, the Malcolm Clippers closed the gap by seven points during the late fourth quarter. During the waning minutes of the game they had possession of the ball. They bull-dogged easily against NSD's flopping defense and were only four yards short of a TD, but they fumbled the pigskin on their own two-yard line due to a hard and clean tackle by KEN EUREK. Doug Schnoor recovered the ball in the end zone with 30 seconds left. Greg Schnoor made 2 more drop kicks.

#### Win No. 6

Underrated NSD eight-man team traveled a long distance to Monroe and proved it was no longer an underdog to any foe it faced the 1967 season. The Tiger gridders brought home the bacon by clobbering the Monroe High School Mustangs, 51-38.

Ken Eurek had a nice evening as he almost won the game single-handed in locomoting 340 of the team's 400 yards of total offense. He also: flung 15 of 22 passes for 250 yards and four touchdowns; dashed for a total of 90 yards and netted two counts of one and nine yards and ran for 2 PATs; knocked down several of the Mustangs' passes, and finally turned two important fourth-down plays into first downs from punt formation. Glue-fingered Doug Schnoor had a nice evening, too. He caught 11 of 22 of Ken's passes for a total of 188 yards and good for 3 TDs. Greg Schnoor finally did not make a single drop kick.

#### Win No. 7

Quarterback Ken Eurek's two touchdowns in the final four minutes lifted NSD past persistent Craig High School in a 32-19 contest. With only three days' rest, NSD lagged in the game on its home field by 0-6 at the quarter and by 12-7 starting the last period. However, Coach Jack Gannon's high-flying Tigers exploded for 25 points in the fourth quarter.

Craig Wolves slowed Ken Eurek down by not blitzing him but they limited his running and passing range. Ken, a fiery competitor, regained his touch by urging the boys into

effective blocking so that he could start plowing down the Wolves' defensive attack. It worked! With extra effort, NSD linemen started opening the opponent's wall and Sophomore Terry Heidecker scampered 53 yards for a touchdown. The last three tallies were produced by Ken Eurek—5-yard end sweep, a 37-yard pass from Bob Schwisow and 20-yard pass from Doug Schnoor. Previously Doug Schnoor contributed NSD's first score by catching a 19-yard TD pass from Ken Eurek. Greg Schnoor did not dropkick in this game.

#### Football Finale—Win No. 8

Unbeaten NSD powered by scrambler Ken Eurek held off a pre-game favorite Waterloo High School, and acting the spoiler's role brought home a 13-6 victory.

After a scoreless deadlock at halftime played in the evening, Ken Eurek passed 15 yards to Doug Schnoor in the third quarter. Then Ken scored a PAT on a quarterback sneak. NSD 7, Waterloo 0.

In his final game as a talented NSD quarterback, Ken Eurek showed poise in his only flaw of the game—a hurried pass due to Waterloo Panthers' blitzing which was intercepted for a 70-yard touchdown. The Panther failed in its attempt for conversion. NSD 7, Waterloo 6.

As usual Ken bounced back to his normal playing ability in which he engineered three crucial fourth down plays into first downs in the closing minutes of the final quarter. Then Ken was able to score the second tally of the game. NSD 13, Waterloo 6.

It was a close and defensive game. NSD had 277 total yards, including 165 passing. Waterloo totaled 229 yards, including 217 on the ground.

**Well, that's the way KEN EUREK "is a handy guy to have around!"**

So a tip of the ol' DA cap to Ken Eurek and his coach Jack Gannon as well as his assistant coach Clayton Brant. No Tiger team had ever done before by winning EIGHT games in a single season.

**A sense of humor, a love for coaching and a deep devotion to making life brighter for the deaf has led Jack Gannon through his yet short and successful career. For his efforts with the 1967 version of the NSD eight-man football team, Jack was named 1967 WOW-TV Coach of the Year.**

Coach Gannon joined NSD's sports program in 1959 and worked with their football and basketball programs. He became head coach only this recent season, and the rarity came to this graduate of Gallaudet College in his first attempt—UNBEATEN!

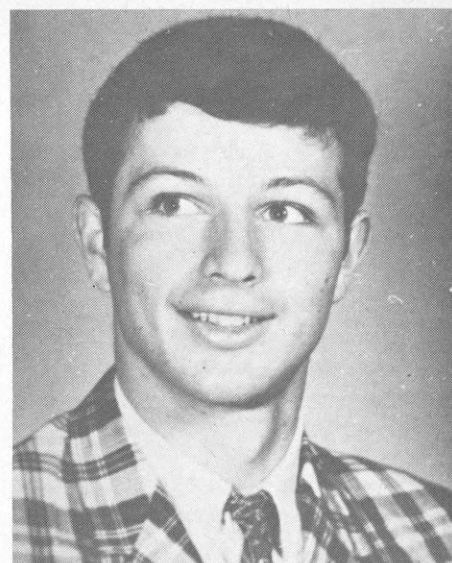
A native of West Plains, Missouri, Jack Gannon lost his hearing in a bout with spinal meningitis at the age of eight years. He attended the Missouri School for the Deaf for eight years and received his BA degree at Gallaudet College.

At Gallaudet, Coach Gannon played center and guard for the Bison football teams. It was at college that Jack met his wife, Rosalyn. Mrs. Gannon, who teaches Art at NSD, became deaf at the age of 13 months.

Jack Gannon is president of the Nebraska Association of the Deaf. He has resigned his post at the Nebraska School for the Deaf to become executive secretary of the National Alumni Association of Gallaudet College. He and his wife will return to Washington, D.C., at the end of the school year to take over direction of the group. **Congrats, and good luck, Jack!**

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Now let's switch reels to another great deaf prep griddier playing on a 11-man deaf prep squad.



And this is WALLACE HUGHES . . . another great football player for the Tennessee School for the Deaf. According to men who know their deaf prep pigskin best, there isn't a finer running back playing the game today. His ground-gaining and other yardage for the 1967 grid campaign exceeded 2,000.

He's WALLACE DURWOOD HUGHES, 180-pound, 6-foot, Tennessee School for the Deaf fleet-footed halfback.

It was indeed a "break" that enabled Wallace Hughes to become a football starter at TSD. As an eighth-grader Wallace began varsity practice on the second team and since both regular halfbacks had considerable experience he was expected to remain a sub for some time. But then one of the first-teamers suffered a broken arm. Hughes advanced to the No. 1 unit and had been there ever since. He started all 44 games.

Hughes entered TSD at the age of six and started football in the school's midget program. He excelled there and was given an early opportunity to play with the varsity. It was permitted by the TSSAA because TSD's elementary and high school systems are combined on a single campus.

Wallace, by the way, is among the few Viking athletes who do not live in a campus dormitory. His parents are Knoxvilleians and young Hughes stays with them. For two years he has driven to school in a 1964 Oldsmobile, furnished by his dad. The driving is pleasant, Wallace relates, because it gives him more time to think football.

One of the greatest athletes in the brilliant athletic history of the Tennessee School for the Deaf, Wallace Hughes recently was the winner of the Knoxville Journal's second annual Special Achievement Award. He was presented the Special Achievement plaque at The Journal's third annual Banquet of Champions one Friday night at the Senators Club. The award is an outgrowth of the Journal sports department's belief that outstanding players at some of this area's smaller schools are passed over in favor of players from "big name" schools when award time rolls around.

Hughes has impressive credentials for this award. Even though he was used almost exclusively as a running back, he

passed the 2,000-yard mark in total offense. In 10 games, he carried 195 times from scrimmage for 1,778 yards—a nifty 9.1 yard average. He caught 11 passes for 223 yards for an average gain of 20.3 yards, giving him 2,001 yards for the season. Twenty-five of his carries went for touchdowns; he caught three TD passes; scored one on a 90-yard kickoff return, and added one on a punt return. His 30 touchdowns and 10 extra points by running gave him 190 points for the season.

Though he scored over 30 points four times in a single game, Wallace's greatest feat came late in the season against North Carolina School for the Deaf. With only five seconds showing on the clock, Hughes rambled 83 yards for the game-winning touchdown. In his final appearance in a Viking uniform, Hughes scored 31 points in a losing cause against Polk County High School, which won 47-32. He scored touchdowns on runs of 60, 57, 52, 20 and two yards and ran for an extra point.

And when Wallace Hughes racked up 32 points against Rutledge High School he was named the Associated Press state high school Back of the Week. The fleet-footed senior scored on runs of 15, 26, 72 and 14 yards and on a 52-yard pass from Quarterback David Masterson. He was also placed on third team of All East Tennessee grid squad. His 190 points for the '67 grid season placed him second in the state scoring race.

"I had heard Hughes was a good football player before I came to TSD," said John Bill Hudson, who started his first year as head coach at TSD. "But he's more than good; he's excellent. He runs and blocks well and helps the other boys go. He has fine speed, but his greatest asset is his stop-and-go shiftiness. He's elusive. He is the best back I have coached. He made my job easy. A coach rarely gets the opportunity at a small school like ours to have such a fine boy. He was good enough to have played on any high school team in the state. He carried us the whole year, not only by his great playing but by his attitude and hard work in practice. He's not only a great athlete but a fine gentleman, as well."

As for his speed, Hughes was clocked 10.2 in the 100-yard dash last track season. Further evidence of Wallace's maneuverability is that he finished second in the 1967 TSSAA Regional Decathlon, and has been a longtime basketball standout for the Vikings.

Hughes lost his hearing as a three-year-old. Playing in a porch swing, he tumbled over backwards and struck his head on a wooden railing. When we met him for the first time at the Midwest WGD trials at Indianapolis last summer, he impressed us a great deal. We felt that he would make a fine 100- and 200-meter man for Uncle Sam at Yugo 69, that's if he concentrates on those sprints only. He will make the Berkeley trip this summer so as to tryout for the United States squad.

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The Ulcer Fraternity (composed of deaf prep football coaches. What else?) has three new members this year. They are John Bill Hudson at Tennessee, David Peterson at Iowa and Rocco J. DeVito, Jr., at Virginia.

Hudson played end at the University of Tennessee and also two years in the rugged Canada professional football league. He coached at the York Institute for the past two years. . . . Peterson is a 1961 graduate of the Iowa School for the Deaf and received his BA and MA degrees from Gallaudet College. He was a graduate assistant in history and political science for one year at the college. . . . DeVito is a product of the New Jersey School for the Deaf and a Gallaudet College graduate. He was assistant coach at Virginia for three years before he became the head mentor.

Just how long the new crop of head coaches will remain intact is anyone's guess. In the meantime, we wish them



## Stalling Along . . .

By **STAHL BUTLER**, Executive Director  
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The Associated Press reported this story from Pensacola, Florida:

Carol Wedel, of Pensacola Beach, a speech therapist, was at a shopping center this week when a man walked up to her and handed her a card reading, "I am a deaf mute."

Mrs. Wedel spelled out in sign language, "My name is Carol Wedel."

The man turned and started walking away. As he did, Mrs. Wedel said aloud, "Wait, I'll give you some money anyway." He turned around.

She didn't contribute.

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I have just come from a probate court hearing for a deaf patient at a mental hospital. Michigan law requires that each mental patient have hearings on a scheduled basis. A psychiatrist was including in his mental health diagnosis the failure of the deaf patient to reply accurately and directly to written questions. Involved was the failure of the deaf patient to answer correctly and directly the question, "Where are you?" I succeeded in getting on the stand to explain the language problem involved.

I remember the commitment of a young girl years ago and I suspected that her queer response to questions and broken English had something to do with her mental health diagnosis. I remember working on the case, but I have forgotten what I did.

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For the past year I have had a minor problem which has accumulated over the past 17 years. Vacations are expensive and there always is work that needs to be done. I have not used all of my annual leave. I have to make use of all of

well, and hope for them long tenure.

It is refreshing to know that quite a number of deaf prep football coaches have managed to get along with institutions for lengthy eras, enjoying head-mentor backgrounds for 10 years or more.

Among the veterans with extended service are Earl Roberts at Michigan, 25; Paul Kennedy at Fanwood, 21; Cecil B. Davis at Mississippi, 20; Tom Kennedy at Mt. Airy, 19; Ken Norton at Oklahoma and Berkeley, 18; Dan Van Cott at Georgia, 19; John Shipman at Louisiana, 14; Moran O. Colburn at Alabama, 13, and James D. Morrison at Kentucky, 13.

Well, rookie coaches, we sincerely hope that you are enjoying it.

It's the same old story, which we have written about for ever so many years past. One of our readers, of authoritative kind, has asked: "Who was the No. 1 deaf prep football team in 1967?" You will find out when you read our 32nd annual deaf prep football story in the next issue.

this accumulated leave before I retire in two years or lose it. The agency could pay me for this time, but that would provide a big unbudgeted expenditure for my successor. So, we are working at this job, too. My wife and I spent the month of July in Idaho and California; we are going East for the holidays; and in middle February we are going with friends on a month-long trip to the Caribbean. When I return in March, my vacation leave will be reduced to the credit for 1968.

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According to a recent report, Gallaudet College now lists 12 students from Michigan, 10 being from the Michigan School for the Deaf. I can remember that Michigan did not have a single student at Gallaudet at the time that Jerald Jordan and Mike Cherniawski were accepted.

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Beginning in January, we are providing on-the-job experience for a deaf girl from a city high school. The contract is with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. This plan gives us one more opportunity to serve, and I hope that we can be successful enough with this girl that we can have a succession of deaf girls getting their first work experiences here.

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## President's Message

Social aspects of deafness present a fascinating field for the serious student of psychology or sociology. Opportunities for research are unparalleled in this virtually unexplored territory.

It would seem to me that possibly the best type of researcher in this field would be a person who is deaf, and who has had the formal training that social research requires—a master's degree at the very least, or a doctorate. To such a disciplined mind we could add (hopefully) the passionate interest in deafness that would come from one's intimate personal experiences with it.

Wherever I have been I have engaged in conversations with deaf people of all levels in the social strata. Almost without exception the subject closest to their hearts has been that of deafness and what it means to them socially, educationally and economically. As with hearing people, deaf people develop subjective judgments based upon their observations. "Seeing is believing" goes the saying—yet as any magician knows, the eye is the most easily fooled of the senses. "All is not what it seems," we may quote again. Thus, the longer experience we have with it, the less positive we become unless we have some solid facts or research upon which to base opinions.

I would very much like to see some careful, statistically accurate research done to resolve some of the questions that frequently occur to me or are asked of me by people who are seeking answers, such as:

Does constant use of the manual alphabet and the language of signs develop better manual dexterity and visual perception in people who are deaf than we would expect in hearing people who do not use these manual communication skills? (We note that deaf people have seemed to succeed quite well at jobs where a premium is placed upon manual and finger dexterity.)

Does the learning of the language of signs retard or delay the acquisition of language? Some hearing people have reacted with incredulity and disbelief when I have answered that there is practically no serious research on the narrow question as stated, and that philosophies unsupported by facts have created serious schisms in the education of the deaf. But what is even more difficult for the uninitiated to believe is that there is so little offered cooperation in researching

the question. The general reaction seems to be, "Experiment on some other children, not ours." Educators stand in apparent mortal fear of parents, who seek normalcy for their deaf children at any cost. This dread is a monster of their own making, it seems to me; I feel that a parent sincerely concerned for the welfare of his child will consent to educational research when it is made clear that such research can only help, not harm the child. On the other hand, uncooperative teachers who are persuaded that their own philosophy is the only right one may communicate their feelings to parents and thus disrupt the most carefully designed study.

It is a curious fact that deaf people themselves have long supported the idea of such research; they have asked for it, and have consistently affirmed that they will accept the evidence of an impartial, scientific study. It would seem that the people most affected by the study are much more ready for it than those who merely have embraced a philosophy. I am moved to wonder whether their faith is so shaky that it cannot bear searching questions.

Are deaf college graduates sufficiently active in community affairs? Or do they, as is so frequently claimed, hold themselves aloof from the "common" deaf people who are in serious need of leadership?

A large eastern city, having a number of clubs for the deaf, presents the picture of fragmentation. The leadership of the clubs rests in the hands of persons who have little or no training for administration; they very likely won a popularity contest and found themselves at the helm

of social and recreational clubs which expect them to develop adequate financing so that the membership may enjoy themselves with their peers.

There is considerably more to running a successful operation than winning an election. The leader should know such matters as parliamentary rules; committee structure and responsibilities; fundraising; bookkeeping or accounting; reporting; fiscal controls; bonding; insurance; city ordinances and licensing procedures; bylaws and their use or abuse; and how to handle unruly members or just plain drunks. In short, untrained leaders can and do develop certain skills and manage clubs to some degree successfully. However, too frequently such clubs founder for lack of good management or leadership, while educated deaf persons who have unused skills are either unaware of the existence of the need or are wholly uninterested.

This is not to imply that an educated deaf person would be a better leader than one who lacks a college degree—nothing could be further from the truth; what is meant is that the educated person could be of invaluable help in those portions of management problems that require interpretation of the language. Thus this suggests that, regardless of the lack of commonality of interests, college trained deaf persons could serve their deaf communities significantly by holding active membership in such clubs.

So some social research on the stratification of the deaf community might serve to show us where the strengths and weaknesses are and suggest possible courses of action for developing more meaningful programs.

## Great Lakes Convention Club Offers Las Vegas 'Package'

The NAD Great Lakes Convention Club has been formed to make arrangements for a special charter flight from Chicago to Las Vegas for the National Association of the Deaf convention, June 16-23, 1968. The flight is for members of the NAD and Co-operating Member state associations and their families. Included in the "package" is the round trip by air from Chicago's O'Hare Airport, seven nights at the Fabulous Flamingo (double occupancy) and bus transportation between the airport and hotel in Las Vegas.

Cost to members of the NAD Great Lakes Convention Club for the "package" is \$175.00, a savings of approximately \$75.00 over the regular cost. Reservations, accompanied by a down payment of \$25.00, should be sent to: NAD Great Lakes Convention Club, c/o Samuel A. Block, 8041 Kildare Avenue, Skokie, Illinois 60076.



## HOME OFFICE NOTES

By Frederick C. Schreiber

Somewhere along the line December got lost. It seems to us that we had finished writing the Home Office Notes for the December issue only yesterday but here Editor Smith was, hollering for January's. Possibly the activities of the holiday season had something to do with this because the need for preparing for our annual open house was very much to the fore. This was held December 15 and while we found ourselves competing with President Johnson's tree-lighting ceremony, we had a very good turnout. Most of the people at the Department of Health, Education and Welfare were here for this event and to examine the continually enlarging NAD Home Office.

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As a matter of fact, the office will grow a little larger a few weeks from now as we acquire an additional 158 square feet of space adjoining our present reception room. Addition of this space will provide us with a "shipping room" in anticipation of taking over distribution of the American School for the Deaf's **Dictionary of Idioms**.

This book, which was compiled under the direction of Mrs. Boatner, has met with very wide acceptance and over 10,000 copies have already been distributed to pupils in schools for the deaf. However, the original printing has been exhausted and the ASD has agreed to permit the NAD to take over and thus make the book available to deaf adults also. There is no doubt at all that it is a **MUST** on every deaf person's bookshelf and we are happy to be able to make it available. While formalities have not been completed as this is being written, it is anticipated that the book will sell for \$3.50 a copy and will be available to everyone.

Then we had to get out the December issue of the NAD Newsletter. That was a pretty hectic arrangement because the staff wanted to have it out in time to wish all our members a Merry Christmas. With the volume of mail the way it is at this time, it took some doing to get the letter written and in the mail early enough to insure that it would be delivered in time. But with the help of the Gallaudet Chapter of the DCAD we managed to get under the wire. Over 900 pieces of mail went out on that one although we neglected to send copies to the various publications.

OUR GRANT PROGRAM is going fairly well. After a long and intensive period of discussion with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's Finance Division, we finally came to agreement on our indirect cost ratio. This has tentatively been approved at 50% which means that we will no longer have to operate at a loss where grants are concerned. This has been the case up to now. While it appeared to be a mistake to do this, we have felt that the projects we are engaged with were of such nature as to be of benefit to our members. Therefore we felt obligated to absorb all excess costs because that is our function. Now, however, we can reasonably expect to meet all our costs from the grant allocations.

Our application regarding the national census has passed several preliminary reviews and while little more can be said regarding the status of this application at this time, it is important to note that it is still under consideration.

Progress is also being made on the International Research Seminar for the Rehabilitation of Deaf Persons. Invitations have gone out to 18 of the 25 foreign scientists who will take part in this meeting, and we have received 14 acceptances and one regretful declination. An agenda is being prepared for this and

we hope that once the meeting is over many of the visiting dignitaries will take the opportunity to observe the deaf at work (and play) at our convention in Las Vegas. We can count on the president of the World Federation of the Deaf, Mr. Drago Vukotic, being with us in Las Vegas and it is hoped that we will be able to offer our members a good picture of the role of the NAD in the World Federation.

THE SIGN LANGUAGE PROGRAM should be starting next month. Sometime during the month of January final selection of the director will be made. A selection committee composed of Mervin D. Garretson, former NAD secretary-treasurer and now director of the COSD, Albert T. Pimentel, NAD board member and director of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, and your Executive Secretary, will personally interview the top four candidates as selected by the NAD Executive Board and then submit its recommendations to the board for final approval. Eight persons have applied for the position.

THE NAD EXECUTIVE SECRETARY is also serving as a member of the planning committee for the Temporal Bone Bank program of the Deafness Research Foundation. This committee will seek to explore means to increase pledges of temporal bones for the TBB program. Inasmuch as this program offers a real opportunity for the deaf to make a meaningful contribution toward the eradication of deafness, it is close to our hearts. And we are eager to do all in our power to assure that an adequate supply of ear bones will be available for research into the causes of deafness.

The Executive Secretary has also accepted an invitation to serve on the planning committee of the Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf's April Forum. The Forum is something that has been awaited since 1961, and we are eager to see it come into being. The COSD forum will be held April 25-27 in Washington, with the exact site for the meeting still undetermined. It will be open to the public, and we are hopeful that many of our members will take the opportunity to be present to air their views and perhaps to gain some insight on the views of other people representing other organizations. Such a meeting of minds will undoubtedly do much toward achieving a unity of purpose that has been so sadly lacking in the past.

CONVENTION NOTES: The convention arrangements are going along smoothly. Hotel reservations are holding up well and it seems quite certain that we will have more people on hand than is possible to accommodate in the Flamingo Hotel. For this reason, we again urge that members expecting to be at the convention send in their reservations early. Where it used to be "It's the early bird that gets the worm," the 1968 version is "It's the early bird that gets the bed!" So

be an early bird and make your reservations now. NAD Advancing Members have all received reservation cards in their last Newsletter. Others can make reservations by contacting the Home Office.

An additional added attraction at the convention will be a show by Sam Edwards and David Bertin, two of the most outstanding modern dancers in the country. Edwards and Bertin are deaf and were taught by Dr. Peter Wisher, who will also be present at the convention.

THE EAST COAST CONVENTION CLUB is moving along famously. While we still have a few seats available on this plane, we are currently exploring the possibility of getting a still larger plane and there may be several alternative plans open which will enable conventioners to get the most out of the trip.

Information—we have received many requests for additional information on the convention. Practically all information will appear in THE DEAF AMERICAN. As soon as the President of the NAD makes it available, we shall publish the convention program. Inasmuch as this is the prerogative of the Executive Board, the convention committee has no part in the business arrangements for the convention and hence this aspect is subject to arrangements by the board.

AN ADDITIONAL AND FINAL REMINDER—We have several times in the past suggested that persons interested in running for office in connection with the 1968-1972 administration of the NAD should make their intentions known now. We are firmly convinced that all members of the NAD have a right to know who will be running for office and deserve the opportunity to discuss the merits and demerits of each candidate. Since it is manifestly impossible for every NAD member to be present at the convention itself, the only fair way to insure that persons selected to the NAD Executive Board are those truly desired by the majority of our members is to speak up now. So don't be bashful. If you are running, speak up. Even if you are undecided, it may still be a good idea to let the world know you are thinking about it. You can always refuse to run later without doing as much injustice to the members as would be done by running unannounced. To date, the Home Office is advised that Jess M. Smith, incumbent First Vice President, and Gordon L. Allen, incumbent Second Vice President, will both seek re-election to their respective offices.

POSTAGE INCREASE: The new postage increase that goes into effect in January is an example of the foresight of

Proposed changes in the NAD Bylaws should be sent to the chairman of the Law Committee, Mr. Gordon L. Allen, 2223 19th Avenue, N. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota 55418.



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this office in changing (or seeking to change) the DA expirations to a common expiration date. The increase of one cent in postage on first class mail will add 20% to our annual bill for mailing out expiration notices. When we have to mail out second reminders and, finally, notices that the magazine can no longer be sent, our cost increases substantially and adds to the likelihood that the price of the DA will have to go up again. Therefore, readers can save themselves money by renewing their subscriptions promptly. The money you save will be your own. It is anticipated that notices will be sent as usual to subscribers so that they will have return envelopes in which to send their renewal remittances, but reminders and final notices will be published in the DA rather than sent individually. This is for subscriptions expiring in August. For subscriptions expiring before August 1968, readers will continue to receive notices of renewal urging that their payments be made according to the schedule printed on the notice to bring their expiration to this same August date. So far this has been most helpful in saving money and now that the rates have been increased there is a renewed urgency to continue the plan. At the present time about 70% of our subscriptions expire in August. Although it will never be possible to get 100% participation (new subscriptions for example will not fit in this category) the greater the participation, the longer we can hold the line.

The Home Office has also purchased a new SCM 44 Copier which is currently leased to the Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf. This new machine is capable of making multiple copies of documents and will fill a need that our own Readyprint Copying Machine cannot meet. For example, applications for research grants require that we submit 50 copies of each application to the RSA. Since such applications generally run to 20 or more pages, it takes several days to produce enough copies on the Readyprint, and as we normally submit several such applications during the course of a year, it is a costly and time-consuming process.

**HOME OFFICE BUILDING:** The sale of the property in Bethesda has temporarily stumped the Building Committee in seeking a suitable office building for the NAD. Chairman Garretson has been in contact with numerous realtors in the area, but so far nothing has turned up which would be suitable for our purposes and for the other organizations of and for the deaf which presently maintain full-time offices in the Washington area. One major problem facing the committee is the matter of finances. Investigation has led the committee to the conclusion that a building of appropriate size for our needs will cost around \$500,000. The NAD's available assets for such a building come to between \$50,000 to \$60,000.

We believe that it will require a minimum of \$125,000 to insure getting a building of this size. To meet the difference between what we have and what we need, there are two schools of thought. One is that the NAD conduct a drive for donations and the other is that we investigate the possibility of selling bonds to individual members and perhaps to such state associations which have ample funds that could be used both to aid the state associations and the NAD.

For example, 6% bonds in denominations of, say, \$100 could be made available to our individual members and to organizations. Savings accounts do not yield as much as 6%, so it would be profitable to invest money in this project. At the same time, normal interest on mortgages is at least 6% and therefore it would cost the NAD no more than if the money were included in the mortgage.

Please note, that the bond plan has not been submitted to our attorneys for a determination of the legality of such a scheme. However, we would like very much our members' reaction to this, or suggestions as to how we might make up the necessary difference between our investment funds and the minimum needed to secure a building. We would be pleased to hear from all of you on this and any other suggestions you might have as to how we can do this will be given careful consideration.

## THE ORDER OF THE GEORGES

Advancing Members who maintain their membership in the National Association of the Deaf for three consecutive years or longer are listed in the honor group called the Order of the Georges.

Advancing Members pay \$10.00 per year or \$1.00 per month and receive THE DEAF AMERICAN as a part of their membership. Combination husband-wife dues are \$15.00 per year or \$1.50 per month and also include one subscription to THE DEAF AMERICAN.

Advancing Members have contributed \$30.00 to \$99.00.

Contributing Members have contributed \$100.00 to \$249.00.

Sustaining Members have contributed \$250.00 to \$499.00.

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Names in boldface type indicate additions to the Order of the Georges since the last listing, advancements in rank or changes of residence.

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Receipts	
Contributions	\$ 119.00
Special Fund Contributions	60.01
Affiliation Fees	10.00
Advancing Memberships	1,162.85
Publications	256.30
Services Rendered	54.20
Captioned Films	630.00
Reimbursements	96.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,388.77</b>
Expenditures	
Officers' Salaries	\$ 100.00
Executive Secretary's Salary	775.40
Clerical Salaries	975.00
Payroll Taxes	47.30
Travel	86.95
Rent	850.00
Postage	90.65
Telephone & Telegraph	53.18
Freight & Express	14.51
Office Supplies	508.88
Office Equipment	1,040.60
Executive Secretary's Expenses	122.29
Deaf American Support	341.20
Captioned Films	31.17
Professional Services	730.79
Advertising	35.08
Dues & Subscriptions	6.00
Electricity	1.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,810.55</b>

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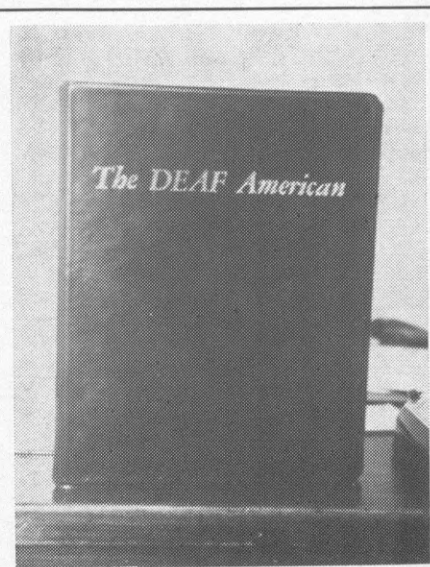
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## Fanwood Chapter's Program Benefits Gallaudet Home

The New York School for the Deaf's annual food drive to benefit the Gallaudet Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf in Poughkeepsie was sponsored the past fall by the school's Junior NAD Chapter.

Officers of the chapter and their advisors collaborated to devise elaborate plans to make the 1967 Thanksgiving donation the biggest and best ever. Indications are that they succeeded.

Donations of canned foods and other staples came from practically every student and employee of the school and were formally presented to the Home at an assembly in the school auditorium on Tuesday morning, November 21. The Rev. Dr. Edwin W. Nies, former vicar of St. Ann's Church for the Deaf, New York City, was on hand to accept the Junior NAD's generous donation on behalf of the Home. Theme for the food collection drive was "Better to Give Than to Receive." Over 30 boxes loaded with food were donated. There were also some cash donations and some baked goods and sewing materials from the home economics classes.

Following the program, chapter officers and their sponsor, Mr. Robert Davila, and one of their advisors, Mr. John Cleary, accompanied Dr. Nies to Poughkeepsie to deliver the food parcels. Dr. Roy M. Stelle, superintendent, provided the use of the school bus in view of the enormous amount of contributions.

The visit to the Home turned out to be a moving experience for the chapter

officers, who spent a couple of hours mingling with the elderly residents—some well along in their nineties. The cheer they brought to the residents was evidenced by the letters of appreciation subsequently received and has given the embryo chapter impetus for future programs of service.

Chapter advisors are working on plans for a "Mend the Home" project to make repairs to the Home and its property. Materials will be collected and a crew of "repairmen" will invade the Home at a future date for a day of repairing and sprucing up.

Officers of the Fanwood chapter are Tod Tillotson, president; Ellen Konoski, vice president; Alice Schneider, secretary; and Gwen Alabaster, treasurer. All are seniors. Advisors besides Mr. Davila and Mr. Cleary are Mr. Taras B. Denis and Mr. Andrew Vasnich.

## Arizona Chapter Plans Three Projects

At a recent meeting of the Arizona Junior NAD chapter, the members voted to undertake two major and one minor project this year. The most important project, according to the members, is to purchase two Webster unabridged dictionaries for the advanced boys and girls dormitories. The other project is to send two outstanding students, one boy and one girl, to the Junior NAD convention which will be held in Washington, D.C., in May 1968. Gallaudet College will be the gracious host for this conclave.

The minor project is one that is looked forward to year after year. This is to entertain the New Mexico School for the Deaf basketball and volleyball players at the annual clash in Tucson.

It was decided that the sale of "Thank You" cards with a desert scene on each card is to be taken over by the girls. Miss Delores Erlandson, typing teacher, has consented to permit the use of the offset press in her class for this project. It is hoped that this venture will swell the treasury.

Boys in the chapter will take over the task of selling mini pompons to all students to bolster the school spirit in varsity sport contests.

## Wisconsin Combines Organizations

At Wisconsin School for the Deaf, the Creative Arts Club has been combined with the Junior NAD, neatly encouraging cultural interests with twice the benefits. In addition to Miss Betty Crowe as sponsor, Mrs. Sue Kelly and Mrs. Lucile Taylor are also working with the chapter. Mrs. Taylor is the younger daughter of Mr. Frederick Neesam, for whom the Junior NAD award for outstanding back in football is named. Her brother, Ralph, is supervising teacher at the California School for the Deaf in Berkeley. The Wisconsin group will present a dramatic production of "Joan of Arc" next April.

Speaker at a recent meeting was the president of the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf, Mr. Robert Pagel, who discussed



WHITE PLAINS CHAPTER—Rev. Dr. Edwin W. Nies (right) congratulates Junior NAD chapter president Tod Tillotson for his efforts in making NYSD's annual food roundup for the Gallaudet Home for the Aged one of the most successful ever. Fanwood's chapter sponsored this year's drive at Thanksgiving time. The chapter also is bidding to hold next year's drive. Chapter officers (picture at the right) are posed with over 30 boxes of food collected in the drive. Left to right: Gwen Alabaster, treasurer; Alice Schneider, secretary; Ellen Konoski, vice president; and Tod Tillotson, president. All are seniors.



the aims and activities of the WAD. Debates, skits and discussions at other meetings have explored the role of "respect" and "manners" in our lives, as well as "leadership," "responsibility" and proper signs.

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## **An Address to the Junior NAD Chapter at California School for the Deaf, Riverside, November 12, 1967, by Donald Nuernberger, second vice president, California Association of the Deaf**

Greetings, friends:

It is a pleasure to have the opportunity to be here tonight. I am greatly honored to be with you.

When Larry Newman and Carl Barber asked me to give a talk to you, my first thoughts were, "What do the young people want to know?" and "What can I say to fulfill their desire for information?"

Indeed, there is not just one person who can fulfill your needs. It takes many persons and many lectures. I will be just one of the persons! I hope your thirst for knowledge continues as long as you live.

My talk tonight will be on types of income taxes and on information which emanates from our income tax office.

When I mention "our" and "we," I am including my partner, Mr. Florian Caligiuri. Florian, better known as "Cal," gave a talk to the Junior NAD here several years ago.

Before I start on the "meat" of my presentation, I would like to pass on to you some information regarding several subjects—many of which you may find informative, helpful and I hope, interesting. Three main areas I'd like to discuss are automobile insurance, employment and the income tax.

1. **INSURANCE:** Deaf people still have some difficulty in obtaining automobile coverage although we have a very good company in California. One insurance company is not enough. We are still investigating other companies and passing on all the information we can to prove that the deaf drivers are as good as the hearing drivers. This is not easy for just any insurance company to accept, even with the best information available. It is the psychological thinking that stands out first and the word "handicap" is a difficult barrier to break through. Rates vary from company to company. Good drivers get a low premium. Drivers with citations and accidents are charged a higher rate to offset the company's losses or their anticipated losses because of the drivers' tendency to be careless.

Indeed, many hearing drivers do pay a high premium but they can change insurance companies with much more ease. The deaf people have one or two companies to choose from and if not accepted, may have to apply through the "risk plan." The rates are often high—as high as \$800.

Bear in mind—when you are involved in an accident—either on your account or the other driver's, always ask for witnesses or wait for a patrolman or police-

man to make a report of the accident. If this is not possible, get as much information from the other party, such as license number, driver's license number, name and address and name of insurance carrier. Stop at the police department and make out a report of the accident. This applies no matter how small the damage is. Frequently, a person will take advantage of your handicap and make out his own report which tends to put you at fault!

2. **EMPLOYMENT:** Jobs in the aircraft field, directly and indirectly, lead in the employment status of the deaf people in California. The West Coast leads the nation in aircraft contracts; therefore, jobs relating to that field are popular.

With computer, programming and the electronic age at hand, your choice of jobs will be broadened. Don't stop your education—pursue it!

This may not be true for other areas; the Midwest-Rockies offer more jobs in farming, ranching or millwork; the central area with the automobile industries would have openings relating to that field; other areas are evenly divided among several fields. The Washington, D.C., and New York areas would offer more printing trade jobs and positions in the government.

The printing trade is still high on the list. You can depend on a decent earning but their wages are not as high as in the programming and computer fields. Automation is harmful in some areas but companies have to compete for the dollar.

Teachers have a bright future—residential, day and special classes. Vocational, social workers and field counselors also stand out.

3. **INCOME TAX:** True most of you have had little or no experience with income tax. But it won't be long before you will be working full time and facing the problems of preparing your income tax forms.

Cal has assisted people with their tax preparation for more than 25 years. Our business partnership is only eight years old. Starting with a "weekender" office, the business has grown and we operate a year-round business now. During the busy season, from January to May, the office is open daily during the evenings and all day Saturdays and Sundays.

Our office is divided into two areas, a waiting room or lounge and two consulting rooms. Privacy is stressed and the files are confidential. We have a girl

who helps out with the work load.

Our clients are not composed of the deaf people only, but the hearing as well. We do have more deaf clients but our hearing clientele is expanding fast.

We also do bookkeeping and accounting during the year. Occasionally, we do some income tax work after the deadline. You'd be surprised how many people do forget to file their forms on time and they are penalized for their tardiness.

Our wives are complaining that they are "tax-widows" and this explains how much time we are in the office! Sometimes I think I might as well live in the office!

We handle all kinds of forms and there are countless kinds of forms, both Federal and state. We also file out-of-state forms and we have touched almost all corners of the nation. Most state forms are complicated and we have all the books on each state. California offers the best form as it parallels the Federal forms.

How many of you have had part-time jobs? And how many of you have filed for your Federal income tax refunds? Frequently, we come across cases where the individual did not file for his refund, assuming that since he earned over \$600, he was not entitled to a refund. This is absolutely wrong. If you have earned up to \$900, you are entitled to all of the taxes that were withheld from your wages—providing that you file the tax forms. Many also think that they can not file for a refund because their parents have already claimed them as their dependents—this is also wrong. You are still entitled to your refund. And your parents can still claim you as their dependent as long as you are full-time students—from high school to college level.

Remember that the IRS will not give you your refund just because you are entitled to it—you have to file your papers. In other words, if you don't ask for it, you don't get it!

A person earning \$1000 is entitled to all but \$12 of the taxes that were withheld from his wages. The more you earn, the smaller your refund becomes. Your refund can not exceed the amount that was withheld from your wages.

The California state forms differ a little. You don't have to file state forms if you earn under \$2000 (for singles) and \$4000 (for married couples). There is no refund from the state, you either pay or break even. But in a few years, the state income tax may be withheld from your wages and this will present a new problem. Refunds from the SDI (state disability claim) is another phase and has nothing to do with the state income.

Once you have reached the middle income bracket, your refund is almost nil—unless you use the long form. The difference between the short form and the long form is not the distance between two points. The short form is a method of filing your taxes according to the table of rates and you do not need to be a math wizard to complete this form.

To use the long form, the taxpayer must list deductions which exceed 10% of his income or \$1000, whichever is lower. In

most cases, the individual comes out ahead by using this form.

Interest charged by banks or loan companies are deductible. Your dream is owning an automobile and this may be your first financial experience. The biggest interest bite is the mortgage loan but most of you won't reach this point until you take on more responsibilities like marriage and a family.

Other allowable deductions are contributions to churches or charitable organizations. Taxes, such as gasoline taxes, sales taxes, property taxes, are also deductible.

Medical (dental, doctor, hospital) bills are deductible if the total exceeds 3% of your income. Prescriptions must exceed 1%. This applies to all except individuals who are 65 years and over. They also receive an extra personal exemption of \$600.

There are many other items on the list but they would leave you lost in the forest. So we will leave the more complicated things aside and this includes stocks, rental properties, businesses, educational expenses, casualty losses and care of children expenses.

The structure of the income tax changes every year and we must keep up with the changes. As tax practitioners, we are informed from time to time about the latest developments.

Divorced people bring the biggest headaches, especially when both parties want to claim their children as dependents. The IRS has the final say. But the work involved in presenting proof of support is the worst part. Every penny counts and we itemize every expense. The party that shows 51% of the total support, is entitled to claim the child or children. This extra exemption means hundreds of dollars to that taxpayer. It is often two or three years before the IRS decides one way or the other.

The individual may win the claim for one year and then you have to go through everything again every year as long as both parties seek to claim the children's dependency.

Our job is not to help one case against the other but to try to help both sides and present all the information to the IRS.

Some of the most common questions asked by the clients are, "Are veterinarians' expenses deductible; dog licenses; hunting licenses?" The answer is no. The only exception is for blind persons who have seeing-eye dogs.

The foregoing information is probably only half of our service. We assist people with contracts, applications and letters. Our office could very well be called the "Service Center." To cover our services, work and experiences, several books would be needed!

Before I forget. This is an important warning. It is imperative that you pay your state income taxes if you owe any. Many people have ignored this and boasted for several years that they have not paid a red penny to the state. Eventually, the state will get the hook on you

and get the last word. They may garnish your check if necessary. This has brought many individuals embarrassment and the penalty is 25% for not filing on time plus 6% interest every year. This has put some in serious trouble with their finances and with their employer.

Now a word about the "hot potato"—the vital question for tonight, "Should the deaf population apply for an extra \$600 personal income tax exemption?"

Are you acting without thinking when you should think before you act?

What is the VALUE of the extra exemption? The \$600 extra exemption does not mean you will receive that much in return—nor does it mean that you will automatically receive that much in return—nor does it mean that you will automatically receive \$120 extra. Neither does it mean that each deaf person in the family gets an extra exemption. Only the wage earner or the husband and wife (joint returns). The exact amount of refund from that extra exemption will depend on your income or the percentage bracket. For low income families, this may mean from zero to about \$84. The higher the income, the higher the refund becomes. For income between \$5000 to \$9000, the refund would be approximately \$85 to \$125. Over \$10,000 could hit \$180 or more. For a short definition, "THE RICH GET RICHER."

May I ask where this will help the low-earning families and will they feel they are being treated fairly—their other deaf brothers may be getting back twice as much?

VALUE of the extra refund: As of today, the dollar does not stretch very far. The extra \$85 will not bring or give you any more earning power. If you claim the full exemption on your salary, it would mean only \$1.50 extra a week on the average income. Some employers may limit our ability to progress because the handicap will be stressed stronger. And since the handicap is stressed in black and white, insurance companies which carry the industry's insurance may draw a line on the types of jobs. This may make it even more difficult for the deaf people to obtain jobs.

For \$1.50 a week, are we to let someone tell us that we can not do this kind of work and that we are not able to fulfill our work abilities? We will not be treated like the other fellow worker. Our ability to advance for better job positions will be that much harder.

Some individuals are earning more in spite of their handicap but the extra exemption will not bring us any extra earning power—it could do the opposite!

If a ceiling is set for eligibility to claim the extra exemption, (let's say about \$4000), probably about 10% of the deaf people would benefit. The unemployed cannot be counted because they have no income. You as students, gain nothing! On the West Coast, probably 2% of the deaf people would benefit—will our efforts be well spent whereas we could support projects which are more beneficial?

The national media of average income is \$3800. The percentage of deaf people's income in that bracket is very spotty. Aren't there others who need this reduction more than we? Just because we are deaf does not justify our reason for this need.

The blind people get an extra exemption—but would you rather be blind than deaf?

VALUE of efforts: The NAD and other organizations are helping you all with their efforts. You are all members of the Junior NAD and you are all aware of the amount of work which the NAD is doing. To obtain favor with the extra exemption will not be an easy task. It will require many man-hours, many hours of research and a great deal of time for travel. Will the extra efforts and dollars spent be worth the extra measly refund? Will the NAD be appreciated when they realize that they are helping the high income people more than the low income group—whereas effort should be made to treat all on equal terms? And the high income group does not need it. This is as clear as daylight as giving one scoop of ice cream to the skinny guy and five scoops to the fat guy!

This is a very bad time to think about reduction in taxes—the government is asking for higher taxes—to finance their vast projects beneficial to the low-income group—and to keep their armed forces at peak in which the deaf people give no direct service except by being good taxpayers.

We are receiving many grants and projects from the government and wouldn't we jeopardize our chances for favorable treatment?

Educationally and socially, the Captioned Films project is widely benefiting the deaf people.

There are various projects which are financed by the government, directly and indirectly. Gallaudet College, the new National Technical Institute for the Deaf, vocational, counseling and teacher training programs at different colleges are some of the projects, just to mention a few.

As taxpayers, we have as much right as anyone in asking for such favor—but if we ask for a reduction, will we be sticking out our necks too far—and for just a measly refund?

Instead of asking for a reduction in taxes—how about drawing up a proposition whereby all the deaf people can benefit equally and gain more educationally and socially?

For example, how about asking for a government grant to provide English subtitles on television programs? As the saying goes, "Nothing is impossible." This can apply to that idea or to any idea.

Let's see—there are three nationwide television programs, CBS, NBC, ABC. Wouldn't it be wonderful if these stations carried English subtitles on their programs for us to enjoy, and at the same time, promote our cultural status and advance our education?

Deaf people in every corner of the na-



tion, the hard of hearing, and oral people would benefit. No matter what level of income, we all would profit more. Even as students, you would benefit from this project whereas you would gain nothing from the extra exemption!

You probably think that the low income deaf families do not have television sets. According to statistics, the low-income families own more television sets than the middle or high-income groups. Surprised? This also is true with color TV sets. Maybe it is because the high-income earning group have more money to spend on entertainment.

A look at our files would not indicate that there is a difference in earning power between hearing and deaf people. Many a deaf person has more luxuries than the hearing person. Owning homes, boats, cabins, lo's, two automobiles and having stock investments are getting to be a common thing among the deaf population.

What more are we asking for?

How can we justify our reasons?

How can we explain our needs?

How can we demand a reduction in taxes?

### NTID Makes Additional Appointments to Staff

While official announcements are lacking, it has been learned that several additional appointments have been made to the staff of the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester Institute of Technology. These appointments have been made as preparations are being completed for the enrollment of the pilot group of 100 students this fall.

Douglas J. N. Burke, presently with the District of Columbia Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, will serve as coordinator, student program selection office. He will be responsible for student admissions, evaluation of students for all of the programs of NTID, sampling program for students not oriented to the technologies and program development in these areas.

Miss Elizabeth O'Brien, now teaching at the California School for the Deaf, Riverside, will coordinate interpreting services for NTID students.

### List of Participants, National Technical Institute for the Deaf Training Conference (Rochester Institute of Technology) December 14 - 15, 1967

Mr. James Achtzehn, Director, Audio-visual instruction, Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. (Recorder)

Dr. Paul Bernstein, Dean, College of General Studies, RIT.

Dr. Richard Bjork, Assistant to the President, RIT.

Mr. William Blevins, Assistant to the President, Clarke School for the Deaf, Northampton, Massachusetts.

Dr. H. Latham Breunig, Chairman, Oral Deaf Adults, A. G. Bell Association, Senior Chemist, Eli Lilly Co.

Mr. Robert Gates, Doctoral Candidate, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dr. William Jenne, Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon.

Dr. Edward Kirkpatrick, Dean, College of Applied Science, RIT.

Dr. E. Harris Nober, Professor of Audiology and Speech Pathology, University of Syracuse, Syracuse, New York.

Dr. W. Desmond Phillips, Department of Special Education, DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Albert Pimentel, Executive Director, Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Edward Todd, Assistant to Vice President, Academic Administration, RIT.

Mrs. Shirley F. Stein, Associate Professor of Audiology, Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C.

### Agenda NTID Training Conference December 14 - 15, 1967

#### Thursday, December 14

9:00-10:15 a.m.—Orientation to RIT-NTID  
—R. Frisina, R. Bjork

a. Objective and program of RIT

b. Background objectives and program of NTID

c. RIT faculty and student body

d. Projected scope of training through NTID

10:15-10:30 a.m.—Coffee

10:30-12:00 a.m.—Visit to new campus

1:30- 2:00 p.m.—Developing a responsive RIT student climate for incoming deaf students

2:00- 2:45 p.m.—Objectives of an RIT student orientation program

2:45- 3:00 p.m.—Coffee

3:00- 4:30 p.m.—Curriculum outline for RIT student orientation program

6:00- 8:00 p.m.—Dinner Meeting — Lomb Room

### Friday, December 15

9:00-10:00 a.m.—Optimum conditions for instruction of the deaf student within the RIT setting

10:00-10:45 a.m.—Objectives for RIT faculty summer institute on NTID

10:45-11:00 a.m.—Coffee

11:00-12:00 a.m.—Curriculum outline for summer institute

1:00- 2:30 p.m.—Curriculum outline (continued)

2:30- 2:45 p.m.—Coffee

2:45- 3:30 p.m.—Summary of conference

### Special guests to evening meeting, NTID December 14, 1967

Harold J. Brennan, Dean, College of Fine and Applied Arts

James B. Campbell, Vice President, Student Personnel Service

Edwina B. Hogadone, Dean, College of Business

Donald A. Hoppe, Dean, Admissions and Records

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